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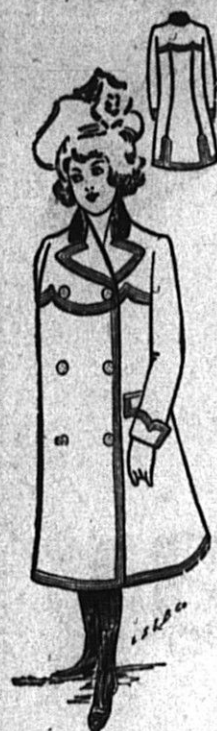
HOLLAND CITY NEWS.

VOL. XXXI.

HOLLAND, MICH., FRIDAY, DEC. 26, 1902.

NO. 50

Special Closing Out Sale!



Beginning with this week our entire stock of 'Ladies', Misses' and Children's Winter Cloaks will be sold regardless of prices or values. If you have been waiting to buy your garment

cheaper now is your chance, as we are selling our garments at a discount of from 15c to 25c off from the dollar.

Wishing you all a Happy New Year and a prosperous one.

A. I. KRAMER,

40 East Eighth St. - Holland.

Jas. A. Brouwer,

212-214 River Street.

We wish you one and all

A Happy New Year.

To assure happiness
in the coming year,
you should buy your
Furniture, Carpets and
Draperies of

Jas. A. Brouwer

212-214 River St.,

HOLLAND,

MICH.

The New Year

HAS NEW PLEASURES.

You will see them better and appreciate them more if you have GOOD EYESIGHT.

Our purpose is to help you to clearer and more perfect vision.

EXAMINATION FREE.

SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.

W. R. Stevenson

Scientific Optician.

24 EAST EIGHTH ST.

HOLLAND, MICH.

They Keep Out the Cold!

"Frost King" and "Frost Queen" Chamis Vests will keep you warm in the coldest winter weather. Made by skilled tailors from the finest and softest chamis skins, they are a lasting comfort. A timely gift that the older folks will appreciate. We will be pleased to have you inspect them and inquire prices.

CON. DE PREE'S
DRUG STORE,

Cor. 8th St. & Central Ave.

Fountain Pens.

We have them from \$1.00 to \$4.00.

Smokers like Good Cigars

A fancy Holiday box of 12 Wm. Pens \$1.00.

Gift Books, Fine Stationery, Calendars, Toilet Sets, Xmas Cards, Games, Children's Books, etc.

S. A. MARTIN,

Cor. 8th and River Sts.

Watch Repairing

We've been a little slow in getting out work left with us during the last few weeks, but now the Xmas rush is over we will again attend to it with our usual promptness.

Remember we guarantee every job we do and if it fails to give entire satisfaction we willingly return your money.

HARDIE

Jeweler and Optician.

Cor. Eighth St. & Central Ave.

Holland City News.

Published every Friday. Terms \$1.50 per year, with a discount of 50 cents to those paying in advance.

MULDER BROS. & WHELAN, Pubs.

Rates of advertising made known on application.
HOLLAND CITY News Printing House, Root & Kramer Bldg., Eighth St., Holland, Mich.

CITY AND VICINITY.

Cook Bros. sold nine Raymond pianos in three weeks.

John Elferdink, Jr., has sold his house at 169 Sixth street to A. E. McClain.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Toppen, West Fifteenth street, Sunday—a daughter.

A. J. De Vries, formerly of Williamsburg, Mich., Saturday took up the duties of his new position in the First State bank.

E. J. Harrington has sold two lots at Harrington's Landing to Paul J. Steketee of Grand Rapids for \$1000. Mr. Steketee will build two cottages on the property next Spring.

If you have claims against the Holland Poultry and Pet Stock Association present them to L. S. Spritsma, on or before next Monday evening.

The Christmas edition of the Detroit Free Press is a fine example of modern journalism, but attractive as it is it is not exceptional with the Press for this paper is brought out along the right lines 365 days in a year.

Ex-Alderman Irving H. Garvelink, book-keeper of the Capitol Furniture company of Little Rock, Ark., is the guest of his family in this city. The Capitol company is one of the leading manufacturers of the south and Mr. Garvelink is well pleased with his position.

Roy Fairfield of Allegan was in the city this week. His broken ankle sustained last summer in a slide home has completely mended and no ill effects are left, leaving him in excellent shape for the game next summer. He has not yet signed with any club although he has several favorable offers under consideration.

The funeral of James Dougall, who died at Hotel Holland last Thursday was held from John Dykstra's undertaking establishment last Saturday afternoon. John Elferdink, Jr., officiating. The remains were interred in Pilgrim Home cemetery. Mrs. S. H. Devereaux, of Byron, a daughter of deceased, came here to attend the funeral.

The window displays this year excel all of previous years in magnificence and beauty. The Holland merchants are bound to keep trade within the city. To this end no time nor money has been spared in making their stores attractive. It is no longer necessary to do our shopping in Grand Rapids. Holland is fast acquiring stores with stocks rivaling any competition.

The Ottawa county round up Farmers Institute will be held at Coopersville January 16 and 17 and every farmer in the county should attend. The subjects will be selected to suit all classes, the dairyman, the fruit-grower, the stockman, or general farming. The state board of agriculture strives to give what might be called an "extension course of agriculture," to bring the Agricultural College to the farmers' doors.

The death of Henry Zoerman occurred at his home in Filmore township near Graafschap last Sunday night at the age of 60 years. Mr. Zoerman was a member of A. C. Van Raalte post G. A. R. and was well known to the veterans of this vicinity. For a number of years he was mail carrier between Holland and Graafschap. He leaves a wife and seven children. The funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon from the Graafschap church.

A Spring Lake doctor has invented an iron folding bed and covered it with a patent. It is the first iron folder ever produced and the inventor claims for it entire success as he worked on it a year and it never shut up with him once. It was a Grand Rapids furniture dealer who, when asked by a customer "What have you in folding beds?" replied with candor: "At present we have a clerk in one, and as the other clerks are busy trying to get him out, I suppose I will have to show you around." Detroit Tribune.—But Dr. Brown's bed is different than that. The doctor does everything right and has made no exception in this instance as experts declare that the bed is one of the best ever invented.

Rev. J. H. Karsten conducted services in the Gelderland church Sunday.

It is rumored that a beer garden will be started on the beach about a mile from Grand Haven next summer.

One of the South Haven drugstores took in money at the rate of \$100 an hour on July 4 for wet goods of an intoxicating nature.

Rev. W. D. Vander Werp of Grand Haven has received a call from the Christian Reformed church at Jamestown.

Prof. Egbert Winter, superintendent of Academy of Cedar Grove, Wis., is spending the Christmas holidays in this city. The Academy is in a flourishing condition.

David Fletcher Hunton, aged 73, and Helen Braddy, aged 63, were wedded in Grand Haven Sunday by Rev. E. M. Abbott. Mr. Abbott is one of the police judges of Grand Haven. This is his fourth matrimonial venture.

Congressman Otjen says that the naval training school will be located somewhere between Fox Point and Chicago, though what part of the lake shore between those two points he can not prophesy. Mr. Otjen says that the selection of the site will rest entirely with the naval commission.

Plans are going forward for the erection of a fine 900-room hotel at Highland park, Grand Haven, next season. The electric road is behind the deal, and report has it that the new hotel is to be conducted by Boyd Pantland and Charles E. Bundy. It is planned to make it the finest hotel on the lake shore from an architectural point of view.

The Muskegon common council recently passed an ordinance placing an annual tax of twenty-five cents apiece on the poles of all telegraph and telephone companies operating in the city without local franchises. The Michigan Telephone Co. has refused to pay and will carry the matter into the courts for a decision as to the constitutionality of the law.

The Michigan Sugar Manufacturers' Association at a meeting held in Saginaw Tuesday adopted a resolution protesting against the ratification of any treaty with Cuba which reduces the present tariff on sugar, and requesting the Michigan senators and representatives in congress to use their influence to defeat any treaty which will result in injury to the sugar industry.

Dr. W. R. J. Bruinsma of Olive township was arrested Monday by Sheriff Dykhuil on the charge of practicing medicine without a state license. He pleaded not guilty in Justice Van Duren's court and the case was set for trial January 2, when the interests of the doctor will be looked after by Attorneys Diekema & Kollen. Dr. Bruinsma has one of the largest practices of the country physicians of this vicinity and has met with success in his profession. He asserts that he is a graduate of an European college and has a diploma from the Wisconsin Eclectic Medical college, and therefore has no fears for the outcome of the case.

Dr. A. C. V. R. Gilmore, director of Hope church chorus, was presented with a baton by the members of the chorus. It is a beautiful ebony baton with an ivory handle and the popular leader was nearly overcome with surprise when the presentation was made. Those whose names appear on the presentation card are the Misses Anna Haberman, Bessie Pfanstiehl, Maggie Dykema, Avis Yates, Josephine Kleyn, Elizabeth Van Zwaiuwenberg, Kate Pfanstiehl, Reka Werkman, Jennie Werkman, Rose Davidson, Grace Yates, Amy Yates, Mrs. A. Diekema, and Messrs. John Dykema, Martin Dykema, I. Sooter, T. J. Oakley, Fred Kleyn and Gus Kraus.

Though the frost will linger in the air a few months longer the officers of the Holland Base Ball association are quietly making arrangements for the summer season. I. Goldman, the secretary, has a stack of correspondence two feet high from men who would like to get on the team. He is carefully separating the wheat from the chaff and letters from promising applicants are promptly given attention. In a month or two the number of availables will be narrowed down to 15 or 20 and terms under which they would like to sign contracts will be discussed. Neal Ball will be here the first of the week to consult with the management and although he has a grip full of offers from the big league clubs it is likely that he will stick to Holland another year.

THE OLD RELIABLE



There is no substitute

Riverside Lodge, No. 80, Degree of Honor, will meet in Odd Fellows Hall Monday evening December 29.

S. W. Clark of New York placed metal book shelves and fixtures in the county building this week.

Carl S. Nixon of Holland and Katherine C. Force of Grand Rapids were licensed to wed by Kent County Clerk last Friday.

New Years Day the postoffice will be open from 7 until 10 A. M. One delivery of mail in all parts of the city leaving office at 7 a. m. Collections from all street letter boxes at 5 P. M.

C. J. Basset post, G. A. R., of Allegan has put forward Gen. B. D. Pritchard, president of the First National Bank of Allegan, as a candidate for the position of department commander of the Michigan G. A. R.

The annual meeting of the Fennville Fruit Shippers Association will be held at the Dickinson opera house next Saturday afternoon, Dec. 27, at two o'clock. Election of officers and important business.

County Clerk Hoyt enjoys the distinction in his last year of office of issuing more marriage licenses than were ever before issued in a single year in Ottawa county. Last year's high water mark of 370 was passed Friday.

Wolves are growing so much more numerous in the upper peninsula every year that the legislature will probably be asked to increase the bounty to such a figure as will make it an object for men to devote themselves to hunting the animals.

The Price drugstore at South Haven has been sold on an attachment in favor of a Milwaukee brewing company. Strange that a brewing company should have an attachment for a drug store—especially for a South Haven drug store.—Paw Paw True Northerner.

On motion of P. H. McBride the case against Pathmaster Diekema growing out of the Jennison Park highway tangle was dismissed from the circuit court by Judge Pabgham and will be brought back to Justice De Vries' court for trial.

It is expected that the sugar factory will finish its campaign in about three weeks. Though the beet crop has not been as large as that of last year the quantity of sugar manufactured will be nearly the same and the season will be classed among the prosperous ones.

There were only 23 deaths in Ottawa county during the month of November, and of this number 12 were 65 years of age and over. The death rate was 8.6, the lowest with one exception of the 28 southern counties. Barry county is the lowest having a rate of 6.1.

Capt. George Pardee, of the steamer Atlanta of the Goodrich line, is spending a short vacation with his family in this city. The captain has passed through the season without a serious mishap to mar his record and now stands at the head of the list of West shore captains.

The candy making recipes followed by C. Blom, Jr., proprietor of the candy store on River street in the building formerly occupied by Anthony Rosbach, are gaining fame throughout the country and this week applications for the recipes were received from North Carolina and Texas.

F. D. Haddock, superintendent of the Holland schools, and Principal R. C. Diek will leave in a couple of days for Saginaw to attend the meeting of the Michigan State Teachers association. One of the features of the meeting will be a day devoted to the discussion of subjects of interest to members of school boards.



Our Business is on a Solid Footing.

And for this we thank
our patrons.

WE WISH THEM

A Merry Christmas

And a Happy New Year

And also wish to tell them that we appreciate their liberal patronage.

Holiday Reminders:

If you want an appropriate gift for a friend buy one of these: Neck Scarfs, Ways, Mufflers, Neck Ties, Fancy Slippers, Gloves, Mittens, etc.

Don't freeze your ears when you can buy one of Brown's Patent Ear Muffs.
They are the latest.



No more trouble to sell Fur Coats.
We have concluded to close
them out at 10 per cent
above cost.

We are also closing out broken
sizes on Overcoats and Clothing.
This must be done in order
to get our stock ready
for inventory next
month.



In Shoes and Rubbers

We handle everything up-to-date at the
right prices. We have a large assort-
ment of Rubber Boots.

LOKKER-
RUTGERS GO.



Holland City News.

FRIDAY, Dec. 26th.

NEIGHBORING TOWNS.

West Olive.

Harvey Jones, Abe Boyer, Jr., and Harry Guiles left for Lansing Friday. Mearns, Boyer and Guiles will seek employment in Detroit.

Mrs. Chas. Walbrink, of Allendale, passed Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Pixley.

Van Slooten Bros finished sawing lumber Tuesday and will move the machinery to Kalkaska county where they have a job during the winter. They will finish up business here in the spring.

Theodore Schilling of Milwaukee passed a few days with friends here last week. He returned Friday.

"Doc" Norton, our efficient postmaster, made a business call on Holland Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pixley attended the wedding of Chas. Walbrink and Miss Artie Parish in Allendale Wednesday.

Gale Wilmarth was in Holland Thursday.

School closed Friday for a two weeks vacation. The teacher, Miss Van den Bosch, has given much satisfaction so we want her to return.

Chas. P. Babcock and Miss Maggie Wabble were in Holland Monday.

Mrs. Mable Stimpson, of Middleville, Barry Co., is spending the holidays with her father, Joseph Peck and family.

In most cases the pool rooms; bar rooms and ball rooms all go together.

John Leland was in Holland Monday with a load of coal.

Mrs. F. A. Vollmer, we are glad to say, is able to be around again after a short illness.

Ransom F. Worley has purchased a large section of the Robinson marsh from Mr. Walters, paying over \$5,000 for it. He is also busy shipping baled hay from here but empty cars seem to be scarce.

H. S. Goodman is drawing lumber to his farm near the village where he will build a barn in the spring. That's right Henry you're the progressive man.

Your correspondent, Mr. Babcock, leaves Wednesday for his old home in Fremont, Newaygo county, where he will spend the holidays with old friends and neighbors. He has not been there for 10 years. Will the people know him?

Graafschap.

Mrs. Jeanette and Fanny Klomparens of Holland and Mary and Bessie Brouwer of Zeeland were visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Bouws this week.

Mrs. John R. Bouws is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents in Zeeland.

Mrs. R. Bouws is slowly recovering from her recent illness.

Prof. Helms conduct the services at the Holland Christian Reformed church Christmas. A trio for a new pastor was voted on after the services.

John Kuoll left for Holland where he will live in the future. Gerrit Bouwensen has rented the place. We wish you success Gerrit.

The Sunday school authorities gave each pupil a small present as a memento of Christmas.

Dr. Fred Brower, the veterinary surgeon of Holland is doing good work taking care of several sick horses in this vicinity.

John J. Rutgers, register of deeds, was in Graafschap bidding his friends goodbye. We don't like to see him go as he was our old peddler boy.

John Landers lost a fine horse last week. It died from the effects of an attack of colic.

Fight Will Be Bitter.

Those who will persist in closing their ears against the continual recommendation of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, will have a long and bitter fight with their troubles, if not ended earlier by fatal termination. Read what T. R. Beall of Beall, Miss., has to say: "Last fall my wife had every symptom of consumption. She took Dr. King's New Discovery after everything had failed. Improvement came at once and four bottles entirely cured her. Guaranteed by Heber Walsh, druggist. Price 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottles 10 cts."

I'll brave the storms of Chikoot Pass,
I'll cross the plains of frozen glass,
I'll leave my wife and cross the sea,
Rather than be without Rocky Mountain Tea.

CASTORIA.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of *Wm. D. Mitchell*

"I had a running, itching sore on my leg. Suffered tortures. Doan's Ointment took away the burning and itching instantly and quickly effected permanent cure." C. W. Lenhart, Bowling Green, O.

To Cure A Cold In One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25 cents. 10-lyr

It's the little colds that grow into big colds; the big colds that end in consumption and death. Watch the colds. Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup.

Revolution Imminent.

A sure sign of approaching revolt and serious trouble in your system is nervousness, sleeplessness or stomach upsets. Electric Bitters will quickly dismember the troublesome causes. It never fails to tone the stomach, regulate the kidneys and bowels, stimulate the liver, and clarify the blood. Run down systems benefit particularly and all the usual attending aches vanish under its searching and thorough effectiveness. Electric Bitters is only 50 c. and that is returned if it doesn't give perfect satisfaction. Guaranteed by Heber Walsh druggist.

Half the ills that man is heir to come from indigestion. Burdock Blood Bitters strengthens and tones the stomach; makes indigestion impossible.

Stops The Cough and Works Off The Cold.

Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No cure, no pay. Price, 25 cents. 10-ly

Collection of Taxes.

To the Taxpayers of the City of Holland:
Notices is hereby given, That the annual assessment rolls of the several supervisor districts of the City of Holland have been delivered to me for the collection of the taxes therein levied and that said taxes can be paid to me, at my office, No. 230 River street, office of I. Fairbanks, at any time before the first day of January next, without any charge for collection, but that five per cent collection fee will be charged and collected upon all taxes remaining unpaid on said first day of January.

I shall be in my office on every week day during the month of December between the hours of 8:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., to receive payment of such taxes as may be offered me.

Dated Holland, Mich., Dec. 1, A. D., 1902.
GERRIT WILTERDINK,
City Treasurer.

Administrator's Sale.

In the matter of the Estate of Gerrit Walker deceased. Notice is hereby given that I shall sell at Public Auction, to the highest bidder, on Tuesday, the 9th day of December A. D., 1902 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the dwelling house on the hereinafter described premises in the City of Holland in the County of Ottawa, in the state of Michigan, pursuant to License and authority granted to me on the 4th day of October, A. D., 1902, by the Probate Court of Ottawa County Michigan, all of the estate, right, title and interest of the said deceased of, in and to the real estate situated and being in the County of Ottawa in the State of Michigan, known and described as follows to-wit: Lot seven (7) except the west twenty-four (24) feet of block thirty-five (35) of the City of Holland, State of Michigan.

Dated, Oct. 22nd 1902.
J. GHO. VAN HES,
Administrator.

NAMED THE BABY FOR A CAT.

Wealthy Woman Had Just Lost Her Pet Maltese by Death and the Child Got Its Name.

"I have christened children every conceivable name," said a clergyman the other day, relates the Baltimore Sun, "but I think the funniest was a boy I named for a cat. My pastorate was a suburb of Boston, and one of my parishioners was a lady of a large estate and a gentlewoman in every sense of the word, generally known in the community as Aunt Esther. She was an eccentric person, who wore silken gowns very long in the train and short in the front and always several old-fashioned brooches at the same time. She visited Washington frequently, always with her pet cat as a traveling companion, and she was one of the few ladies accorded a seat on the floor of the house of congress. On the grounds of her country home was a diminutive cemetery, where her feline pets slept after life's fitful fever.

"During my residence in the parish her special favorite was a large Maltese cat, named Thomas Henry, whose death occurred just before the coming of a new baby at the lodge-keeper's home on Aunt Esther's place. She was to be godmother and name the child, while I was to baptize it. Her recent bitter bereavement still weighed on her soul, and when I asked 'By what name shall this child be known?' Aunt Esther responded, in trembling tones: 'There is no name so sweet to me as Thomas Henry,' and by that title the boy was thenceforth known."

A Costly Mistake.

Blunders are sometimes very expensive. Occasionally life itself is the price of a mistake, but you'll never be wrong if you take Dr. King's New Life Pills for Dyspepsia, Dizziness, Headache, Liver or Bowel troubles. They are gentle yet thorough. 25cts. at Heber Walsh's drug store.

\$100.

Dr. E. Detchon's Anti Diuretic

May be worth to you more than 10 if you have a child who soils bedding from incontinence of water during sleep. Cures old and young alike. It arrests the trouble at once. \$1.00 Sold by Heber Walsh druggist, Holland, Mich.

Had Not Slept for Two Weeks.

OWING TO NERVOUS TROUBLE, YET MALTA PURA CURED HER AND NOW SLEEP IS REGULAR AND HEALTHFUL.

□ A well known lady residing south-west of this city, says she owes her life to Malta Pura, the great tonic and invigorator manufactured by the Battle Creek Health Beverage Co., Ltd. Although this lady is 72 years of age, she is now enjoying very good health. Here is what she says unsolicitedly:

"All the folks out here know that I have been a sufferer from a nervous trouble for years. I do not know the cause of the nervousness unless it was stomach trouble, but I do know that Malta Pura cured me, and I only used four bottles. About three or four months ago, I was compelled to take to my bed owing to my condition, but I could not sleep. It seemed impossible for me to get any rest. I took a number of medicines but none of them did me any good. My husband had three different doctors consider my case, but they did not help me. It was after two weeks of sleepless nights during which time I tossed about until I felt I would never get better, that I was told by a friend of my sister that Malta Pura would help me. Well, we bought a bottle and after I had used half of it, seemed somewhat improved for I could get little rest. I kept on taking it and after using four bottles in all, am as well as anyone could expect, my age considered. If I know of any person suffering from nervousness I shall feel it my duty to let them know what Malta Pura has done for me. I firmly believe it to be the savior of my life. I sleep well, eat without any after distress and consider myself as healthy as any woman of my age."

The name furnished on application to the Battle Creek Health Beverage Co., Ltd., Battle Creek, Michigan. Malta Pura is for sale at Druggists.

Hearing of Claims.

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
COUNTY OF OTTAWA.

Notice is hereby given, that by an order of the Probate Court for the County of Ottawa, made on the 15th day of December A. D. 1902 6 months from that date were allowed for creditors to present their claims against the estate of Daniel F. Newton late of said county, deceased, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said Probate Court, at the Probate office, in the City of Grand Haven, for examination and allowance, on or before the 15th day of June next, and that such claims will be heard before said Court, on Friday, the 15th day of June next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day.

Dated at the City of Grand Haven, December 15th, A. D. 1902.
EDWARD F. KIRBY, Judge of Probate.

BENEFICIAL WALKING TOURS.

Autumn Outings Afoot Which Are the Most Healthful and Enjoyable Forms of Exercise.

Walking is an art almost said to be one of the lost arts, says Country Life in America. It is astonishing how few know how to walk—know how to acquire the measured stride, the springy step, the easy poise of the body and the swing of the arms, which make walking at once one of the most healthful and enjoyable forms of physical exercise. For the real pleasure of walking one must turn to the country. Pavements are but dead, unyielding matter at best. In the turf of the country there is a spring in response to the pressure of the foot which is a delight and an inspiration in itself. The purity of the air sets the blood to racing gloriously.


Good walkers find 20 miles a day a comfortable average, allowing of plenty of time for rest and "loafing." Two weeks thus spent will afford memories to last for all time, and with them a measure of health and strength, a quickening of vital forces, a nervous energy which will find expression in increased power for accomplishment in the world's work.

How the Earth Changes.

How does one generation of men succeed another? The fathers are not swept away in a body to make room for the children, but one by one the old drop off and the young come on, till a day is reached when none of those remain that once were here, says Harper's. How does some form of human speech become extinct? About a hundred years ago an old lady named Dolly Dentrested died in Cornwall. She could speak the Cornish language; after her death there was nobody that could. Thus quietly did the living Cornish language become a dead language; and in a like unobtrusive manner have been wrought most of the new beginnings which have changed and are changing the earth.

Ancient Picture Gallery.

A picture gallery that dates from the stone age has been unearthed in a cavern near Eyzyes, France. The pictures, which are all of prehistoric animals, were not only cut in the rock as is usually the case with such representations, but were painted in seven colors, and give some evidence of artistic skill. There are 80 pictures which 49 represent bisons of various kinds. The pigments used, which shades of red and brown, have been found, on analysis by Moissan, the eminent French chemist, to be of mixed with minute fragments of parent silica.



A Medicine for Old People.

Rev. Geo. Gay, Greenwich, Kas., is past 85 years of age, yet he says: "I am enjoying excellent health for a man of my age, due entirely to the rejuvenating influences of Dr. Miles' Nervine. It brings sleep and rest when nothing else will, and gives strength and vitality even to one of my old age."

"I am an old soldier," writes Mr. Geo. Watson, of Newton, Ia., "and I have been a great sufferer from nervousness, vertigo and spinal trouble. Have spent considerable money for medicine and doctors, but with little benefit. I was so bad my mind showed signs of weakness. I began taking Dr. Miles' Nervine, and I know it saved my life."


Dr. Miles' Nervine

Saved me from the insane asylum," Mrs. A. M. Heimer, of Spring, Mo., writes. "I was so nervous that I could scarcely control myself, could not sleep nor rest, would even forget the names of my own children at times. I commenced using Dr. Miles' Nervine and it helped me from the first, and now I am perfectly well."

Sold by all Druggists on Guarantee.
Dr. Miles Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind.

Free Consultation

—BY—



Dr. McDonald

THE SPECIALIST.

OFFICE PARLORS AT
HOTEL HOLLAND
Holland, Mich., on
Friday, Jan. 30th.

ONE DAY ONLY EACH MONTH.

OFFICE HOURS 9 A. M. TO 8:30 P. M.

Consultation and Examination Free!!

Dr. McDonald is one of the greatest living specialists in the treatment of all chronic diseases. His extensive practice and superior knowledge enables him to cure every curable disease. All chronic diseases of the brain, spine, nerves, blood, skin, heart, lungs, liver, stomach, kidneys and bowels scientifically and successfully treated.

DR. McDONALD'S success in the treatment of Female Diseases is simply marvelous. His treatment makes sickly women strong, beautiful and attractive. Weak men, old or young, cured in every case and saved from a life of suffering. Deafness, rheumatism, and paralysis cured through his celebrated Blood and Nerve Remedies and Essential Oils charged with electricity. THE DEAF MADE TO HEAR! THE LAME TO WALK! Catarrh, Tumor and Lung Diseases cured. Dr. McDonald cures Fits and Nervous Diseases. Eczema and all skin diseases cured.

DR. D. A. McDONALD

THE SPECIALIST.

You may roam the country o'er but will fail to find better

TEAS and COFFEES

—Than can be found at—

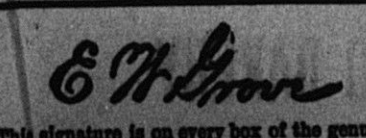
Boot & Kramer,

Groceries & Drug Goods.

A. C. Van Raalte Gilmore,

DENTIST.

Truett Block. 21 W. High St.



This signature is on every box of the genuine Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets the remedy that cures a cold in one day

MISS BIGGAR ACQUITTED.

Declared Not Guilty of Conspiracy to Get Possession of the Bennett Estate.

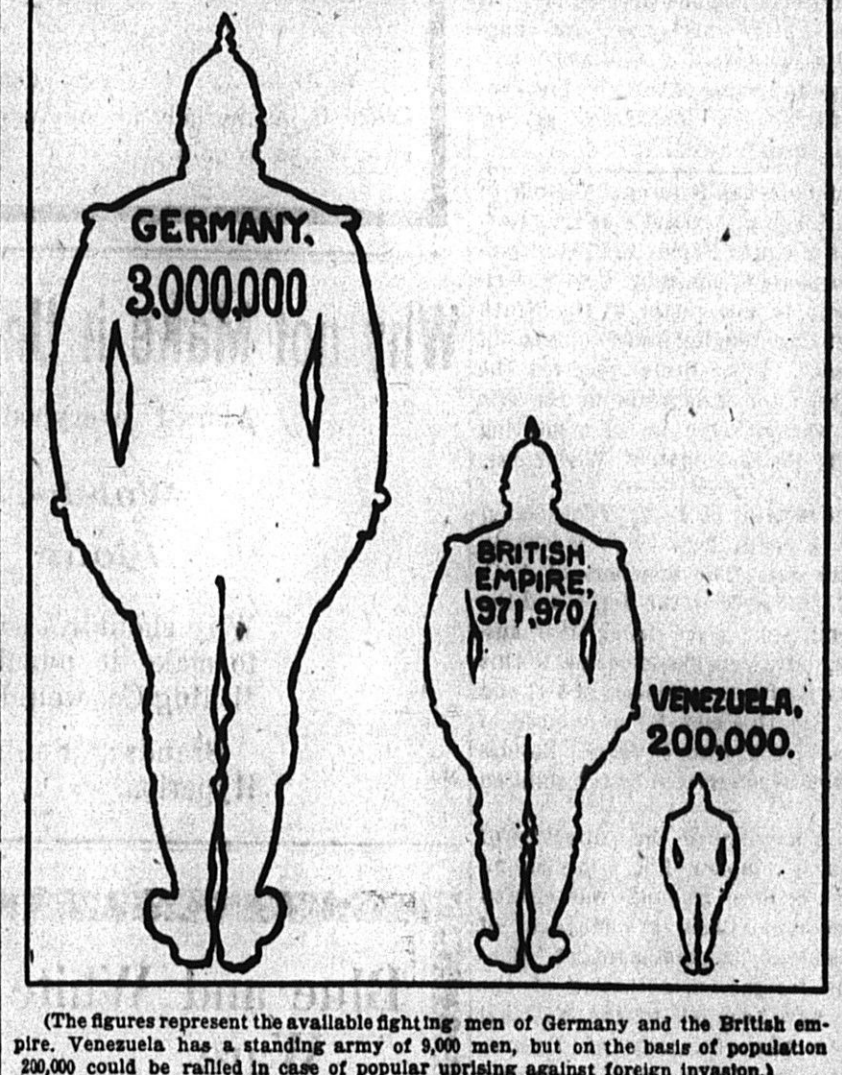
OTHER TWO DEFENDANTS CONVICTED.

The Jury Finds That Dr. Charles C. Hendricks and Samuel Stanton are Guilty of the Charges Made Against Them by the Contesting Heirs to the Estate.

Freehold, N. J., Dec. 24.—Laura Biggar was acquitted and Dr. Charles C. Hendricks and Samuel Stanton, formerly justice of the peace, were found guilty by the jury Wednesday in the case against the three defendants on the charge of having conspired to get possession of the entire estate of Henry M. Bennett, a capitalist of Pittsburgh, Pa.

The jury, which retired at 9:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, remained all night, and Wednesday asked the court if the jury might convict two of the defendants and acquit one. The court said such a verdict would be legal, and later in the day the verdict as stated was returned.

Miss Biggar laid claim to the entire estate of Bennett, who died recently, leaving a large fortune, as his wife, and as the heir of a child of Bennett, which she said was born to her after his death, and soon died. Dr. Hendricks was her physician and the proprietor of a sanitarium in which the child was said to have been born. Stanton said he had united Miss Biggar and Bennett in marriage, and a marriage certificate signed by him played an important part in the case. The claim of Miss Biggar was contested by persons who laid claim to being the rightful heirs of Bennett, and they made the charge of conspiracy. Under the will Miss Biggar was bequeathed a large part of the estate.



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BLIZZARD RAGES.

Middle and Northwest Swept by Severe Storm and Cold Weather.

La Crosse, Wis., Dec. 24.—La Crosse is in the throes of a severe blizzard, which arrived Tuesday night with a high wind, colder temperature, and three inches of snow. The storm is reported general in the Dakotas, Iowa and Minnesota, and to have moved to the lakes Wednesday. Railroad traffic in and out of the city is considerably delayed as a result.

Fire Caused by Overturned Lamp. Corning, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Lawrenceville, Tioga county, Pa., was visited by a disastrous fire Wednesday. It originated in Spring's millinery store from an overturned lamp, and all the buildings on one side of Main street were destroyed, including Wing & Eastwick's large department store. The Rustling block and opera house, the Darling block and five other stores were burned. The loss is more than \$50,000.

Corunna, Mich., Dec. 24.—Fire which broke out in a jewelry store in the business section of this city early Wednesday destroyed property valued at \$40,000 before it was extinguished. Among the buildings destroyed is the three-story First national bank structure, in which was located the Masonic hall.

Fell Over a Cliff. San Francisco, Dec. 24.—Capt. John McKenna, keeper of the lighthouse at Lime Point, on the Marin county shore of the Golden Gate, was killed by falling over a 20-foot cliff situated near the government property, of which he had charge. He is supposed to have made a misstep in the darkness.

To Return to Former Positions. Washington, Dec. 24.—The navy department has decided that Admirals Crowninshield and Sumner shall return to their former stations after the close of the winter maneuvers in the Caribbean.

A SAD TRAGEDY.

Young Man Goes Home to Spend Holidays—Brother Mistakes Him for Burglar and Kills Him.

Brantford, Ont., Dec. 24.—Wesley Watson, of Detroit, was shot and instantly killed by his brother Samuel at Middleport, near this city, Tuesday. The brothers, Samuel and James Watson, ran the farm near Middleport, and the third brother, Wesley, lived in Detroit. Monday night Wesley came home unexpectedly, it is supposed to spend the Christmas holidays. The brothers at home, both men over 30 years of age, heard him approaching the house, and became possessed of fear that they were about to be attacked by burglars. They ran upstairs and, getting out of a window, went to the house of a neighbor, where they spent the night. They returned Tuesday, armed with a shotgun. Wesley had gone into the house and, finding no one there, went to bed. When his two brothers opened the door of the room in which he had been sleeping, he raised himself in the bed. Failing to recognize his brother, Samuel Watson fired, killing him instantly. Recently the two men had been attacked and robbed by burglars.

BRILLIANT PARTY AT SAN JUAN

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PASSENGERS AND TRAINMEN ARE HURT.

Disaster Occurs at McCord's Station Near Grand Rapids—Passenger Train on Ohio River Road Collides with Freight in West Virginia—Many Injured.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 24.—During a heavy snowstorm at 7:33 Wednesday morning Detroit train No. 2, on the Pere Marquette railroad, crashed into the rear end of Saginaw train No. 32, at McCord's, a flag station 15 miles east of here. Train No. 32 left Grand Rapids at seven o'clock ten minutes ahead of No. 2. It was flagged at McCord's, and was just starting out again when No. 2 came along. The engineer of No. 2 did not see the rear lights of the Saginaw train until too late to stop his train. No cars were telescoped, although the force of the collision smashed platforms and threw passengers and train crew about seriously. The following were injured: Mrs. M. J. Kiley, Grand Rapids, cut about the head and chest; L. E. Cook, no address, badly injured; James Scoville, Clarksville, mail clerk, badly hurt; Express Messenger Griffith, badly hurt; E. A. Wood, baggage man, slightly cut on the head.

The passengers injured were on the Saginaw train, and the others on the Detroit train.

Passenger Collides with Freight.

Marietta, O., Dec. 24.—The north-bound Ohio River railroad passenger train leaving Williamstown, opposite this city, at 9:30 collided with a freight one mile south of Waverly, W. Va., at 9:50. The freight was taking rights allowed to the passenger train. Details are meager. Both engines and trains are demolished, and it is reported that many are injured, and possibly some killed.

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Physicians from Marietta have been dispatched to the scene, eight miles from Marietta.

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Let this Election Be Final.

Out of all the confusing conglomeration of opinions on the gas question, out of all the arguments pro and con bordering on the hysterical comes one united chorus to the effect that gas should be introduced at all hazards. People may differ as to the method of introduction, some contending that the municipality should own the plant, others contending that in owning the water plant and the electric light plant the city owns more than it can conveniently care for. But all are united in saying that gas would be a good thing—a very good thing. They go further and say that gas is not a luxury but a necessity, and they point to Grand Haven, South Haven and other cities of lesser population, and the emphatic notes predominate as they say that Holland citizens should not be denied privileges enjoyed by these towns.

One thing is certain. Holland should have a gas plant—must have a gas plant. Consider the question carefully taxpayers. Do you wish to have the city own the plant or do you wish to give a private corporation a franchise. Then cast your vote and whether the verdict is for or against municipal ownership ostracize the man who suggests that we wait a while—probably a decade or two—until the unborn generation has a chance to express a preference. Let this election be final.

OFFICIAL.

COMMON COUNCIL,
Holland, Mich., Dec. 23, 1902

The common council met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Mayor.

Present:—Mayor De Roo, Aids. Kleis, Van Zanten, Kole, Geerlings, Nibbelink, Van Putten, Kramer and Riksen and the city clerk.

The reading of minutes and the regular order of business was suspended.

The special committee on gas reported as follows:—

Holland, Mich., Dec. 23, 1902
To the Honorable Common Council of the City of Holland.

Gentlemen:—Your committee has had under consideration the question of franchise conditions which are to be embodied in the proposition to be submitted to the electors of this city, and acted upon by them on Jan. 12 next, and we recommend that the proposition shall specify that the following conditions must be embraced in any gas franchise granted by this city.

1st. That the gas to be supplied shall be of a high standard of quality.

2. That for fuel purposes it shall be sold at a maximum rate of \$1.00 net per 1000 cu. ft.

3. That for lighting purposes it shall be sold at a maximum rate of \$1.25 per 1000 cu. ft.

4th. That for cooking purposes piping and connections shall be furnished free up to the cooking stove.

5th. That for lighting purposes piping shall be furnished free up to the meter in the building.

6th. That the city shall reserve the option to purchase the gas plant 10 years from and after date of franchise, and that the same option shall be available every five years thereafter up to the end of the life of the franchise, which shall not exceed 30 years; and that the city does not by this purchase clause bar itself from its right to put in a plant of its own.

7th. That extension of mains must be made where there will be one consumer per 200 feet of main.

8th. That the plant must be completed within 18 months from and after date of franchise and that on Eighth street and on River street where paving is to be done in 1903, the gas pipes are to be put in within three months after franchise is granted.

Report adopted.
On motion of Ald. Van Putten. Resolved, that Ald. P. A. Kleis be instructed to attend the meeting of the board of supervisors in place of Mayor De Roo. Carried.

On motion of Ald. Geerlings, The council proceeded to ballot for supervisor to fill vacancy in the first supervisor district.

Upon the fifteenth ballot, John Kerkhof having received the majority vote was declared appointed supervisor of the first district to fill vacancy.
By Ald. Van Putten, Resolved, that the city clerk and the senior alderman from each ward be appointed board of electors for the special election to be held Jan. 12, 1903, and that said election be held at No. 190 River Street, Holland City State Bank Building. Carried.

By Ald. Geerlings, Resolved, that the clerk be instructed to publish and post the necessary election notices.

Carried.
P. H. McBride and 9 others

petitioned to have Eighth street between River and Pine streets paved, if any paving is to be done in said block.

Referred to the committee on streets and crosswalks.
Adjourned.

WM. O. VAN EYCK,
City Clerk.

"Hold Me Or I'll Hit Him."

The Nichols case has approached a point where no one would be surprised if, out of the chaos of contending counsel, a multitude of assault and battery cases should arise. Last Friday the opposing attorneys reached the "hold me or I'll hit him" stage of the controversy and Harvey Brown, the political reporter of the Grand Rapids Herald and one of the King bees in the reportorial line in Michigan, gives the adventure the following vivid description:

"The sensation of the day came when Mr. Hyde was cross-examining Col. John H. Mitchell of Ionia. Mr. Hyde had asked the witness if he did not make a certain statement when on the stand before, and as he was not answering to suit him, he repeated the question several times, and was pressing him hard for a direct statement. While Mr. Hyde was firing his question at the witness Respondent Nichols said something in an undertone to Attorney Farr, who was sitting beside him at the table. Mr. Hyde took offense at the remark and asked him to repeat it. Nichols paid no attention to Hyde's request, and he insisted on his repeating the remark he had made to Farr.

At this point the court inquired what the trouble was about, and Hyde said the respondent had called him a liar, and he did not propose to be insulted in that way in court.

This opened the way for a fusillade of hot shot from the attorneys, and a lively time ensued for a few minutes, until it was stopped by the court. With great emotion Nichols turned to Hyde and addressed him as follows: "I have not called you a liar, Mr. Hyde. A continual assault has been made upon me since this trial opened. If I wanted to call you a liar I would take you out one side and do it."

"Who has insulted you?" inquired Hyde.

"You have, you dirty pup," blurted Ellis.

This remark was followed by a rapid fire of accusations and denials between the attorneys on both sides. Their faces were blanched and all were talking at once. The attitude of the attorneys for a few seconds indicated that a personal encounter was near at hand. They glared at each other with fierce expression while they were engaged in the conflict. They were so enraged and threatening in their attitude that the spectators became excited, and women turned pale with fear.

As soon as possible the judge rapped for order and with an expression of disgust lectured the attorneys.

After the court adjourned the controversy broke out afresh when Attorneys Lillie, Farr and Ellis and Mr. Nichols expressed in various language and in decidedly uncomplimentary terms their opinion of Mr. Hyde within his hearing. As they were passing into the cloak room Mr. Nichols made a personal remark about Hyde, which renewed his anger and he started to enter the door remarking that he did not propose to be insulted in that way by the respondent any longer. Attorneys Ellis, Farr and Lillie squared up ready for an attack and the situation looked serious for a time, but Sheriff Dykhuys and his deputies stepped in and prevented a personal encounter."

The Noted Dr. Reitz Will Speak Monday Evening.

Dr. F. W. Reitz, formerly president of the Orange Free State and secretary of state of the South African Republic (Transvaal), will speak in the Dutch language in the Central Avenue Christian Reformed church next Monday evening December 29, at 7:30 o'clock.

Dr. Reitz is one of the most noted and able men hailing from South Africa. He is a gifted writer and on his tour throughout the Holland colonies of the United States is attracting great attention. If you want to hear the story of the heroic struggle of the gallant Boers told by one of the great war heroes go to the Central Avenue church next Monday night.

First Service in New Church.

For the first time the Fourteenth Street Christian Reformed congregation held its morning service and Sabbath school in the basement of their newly erected church. By opening the doors of the Sunday school apartment a spacious hall is made which has a seating capacity of four hundred.

The morning service was especially impressive. Mr. Drukker chose his text from Psalm 57:17. He applied the thought of a broken and contrite heart to the auspicious opening of their new church. It was the first time a member joined on confession of faith. It was the first time an elder and a deacon were installed. Everything pointed to a good beginning. Now was the time a broken and contrite heart would be especially pleasing in God's sight.

The new officers installed were B. Mulder as elder and B. Venhuizen as deacon. In the last week of next month the congregation expects to occupy their auditorium.

LOST—On Ninth street between College avenue and River street, a hand bag containing money and valuable articles. Finder will please return to H. Werkman's store on River street.

Local Union Adopts Strong Resolutions.

Resolutions adopted by the local union of the Amalgamated Leather Workers' Union.

Whereas, efforts are being made in this city to give away valuable rights by granting a gas franchise to a private corporation or to private parties, and whereas we deem the granting of franchises generally a questionable and dangerous procedure.

Resolved, therefore, that we hereby express our emphatic protest against any action by the Common Council of this city relative to granting a franchise to a private corporation or to any private parties, being as we are, urged to take this determined stand against private ownership of gas works for the following reasons:

1. Because municipal ownership of the light plant and water works in this city has proved successful and profitable to the citizens generally, furnishing water and electric light at one half the price that private water and light companies charge in other cities; for example, the water rates in Cadillac are 40 cents, at Ludington 25 cents, at Monroe 30 cents per thousand gallons, those cities having private water works, while our city municipal water works charges only 6 cents per thousand gallons. Our city light plant charges 8½ cents per kilowatt for electric light, while the base price of electric current at Grand Rapids and other cities where they have private plants is 20 cents per kilowatt.

2. Because all public utilities should be owned by the public, and not by private corporations, for private ownership or private parties seeking the control of public utilities is the fruitful source of almost all the corruption that mars municipal life in America.

Resolved, further, that we, the members of Local Union, No. 49 of the Amalgamated Leather Workers' Union of America, who are almost without exception property holders and taxpayers of this city, mindful of the experience of other cities, and recognizing the importance of keeping our municipal life clean, which can only be done by preventing private corporations from tampering with our municipal institutions, do hereby invite the co-operation of all public spirited citizens in endeavoring to defeat the pernicious project now on foot to introduce a private gas plant into this city, and that we pledge ourselves individually and collectively to exert our utmost efforts to defeat the proposition for a private gas plant to be voted on at the election to be held January 12, 1903, by such a decisive majority that the question will never rise again to menace the city, but that it and the agitation for private ownership of public utilities will be buried beyond resurrection.

OLEF J. HANSON,
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CORNELIUS KERKHOF,
JOHANNES DEWEERD,
ARNOLD DEFEYTER,
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ABE BORGMAN,
Committee.

Additional Local.

Rev. F. Wiersma of the Western Theol. Sem. has received a call to Lucas Mich. He will be married to Miss Hattie Holkeboer of this city shortly.

Fred B. Purchase and Jennie Hacklander both of Holland, were united in marriage Wednesday by Justice Van Duren. They have the best wishes of many friends.

A deal has been closed whereby the Challenge Machinery company, Chicago, manufacturers of printing presses, paper cutters and all kinds of printing material, will move to Grand Haven.

There is talk of forming a circuit with the poultry associations of Grand Rapids, Holland, Allegan and Kalamazoo, the exhibitions in each city to be held at such times that the poultry will have a weeks rest between them.

The employees of the O. L. King & Co. factory presented W. W. Hanchett, the superintendent, with a handsome chair Christmas. It is a costly piece of furniture and is strong testimony of the high esteem in which Mr. Hanchett is held by his employees.

The annual meeting of the Allegan County Poultry and Pet Stock association was held in Allegan Monday. The reports of the officers showed the association to be in good financial condition, and all premiums awarded at the first show, December 8 to 11, will be paid.

Congressman William Alden Smith and Bentot Hanchett of Grand Rapids and Arthur Adams and John R. Graham of Boston, were in Holland Tuesday. They were on a trip over the electric road taken for the purpose of showing Mr. Adams, who is interested in the projected electric railway between Hastings, Charlotte, Lansing and Battle Creek, the system.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Oudemolen, of 190 West 16th street, a 12 pound girl.

Peter Kool, J. Van Dyke, Bert Zwerwink and Dirk DeVries have entered the race at Spring Lake. The skating contest will take place on New Years.

Major Scranton Circle, Ladies of the G. A. R. will install their new officers Friday, Jan. 2, in the Macabee parlor. The ladies are planning an entertainment in connection with it.

Tuesday it was rumored that President Head of the Pere Marquette would resign and that Mr. Erb or F. H. Prince of Boston would succeed him, but Mr. Erb has issued a statement putting such rumor beyond belief.

Alderman Nyson of Grand Haven introduced a resolution at this week's meeting of that body, authorizing the city clerk to order 25 cars of soft coal to sell to the working people of the city at cost price. The resolution received some support but in the end was voted down.

While skating on Macatawa Bay opposite the Chicago dock Tuesday afternoon Miss Amy Yates and Ed Kremers broke through the ice. They held on the edge of the ice until other skaters arrived and forming a line by grasping hands pulled them from the water. Had not help arrived they would have drowned.

The timber on the 250 acre tract of land near Overisel is fast disappearing. B. Riksen with a force of about 50 men is felling the trees as fast as possible after which they are chopped into cord wood. A. Visscher and George Browning of this city are owners of this tract. Gentlemen, save a few of them for seed.

The Christian Reformed Church of Graafschap will extend a call to Rev. Beets of Grand Rapids to fill the pulpit formerly occupied by Rev. A. Keizer who is now pastor of the Ninth street Christian Reformed church of this city. Rev. Beets received the highest number of votes in the trio that were balloted on in a meeting held by the congregation Wednesday.

The remains of Peter Veneklassen were brought here from Muskegon Wednesday. The members of A. C. V. R. post were at the depot and the funeral took place under their auspices. Mr. Veneklassen came to this country with the pioneers of 1847 and lived in this city for a number of years. His age was 58 years. Besides his wife he is survived by ten children.

At a meeting of the directors of the sugar company of St. Louis, Mich., John O. Post of Holland was elected president and Chas. M. McLean, of the same city, general manager. Contracts for the construction of the plant have been let to the National Construction company of Detroit. The factory is to be one of the largest in the state. This is the second factory St. Louis has secured in the past year.

The oldest country Sunday school in charge of the students of Hope College is the one at Pine Creek. Each Christmas for thirty-six school years the young people of this community have enjoyed an entertainment but the one this year was the best of all, the teachers and the superintendent, L. Boeve, outdoing all previous efforts at an entertainment. About one hundred pupils attend this school.

The children of Hope Church Sunday school were given a Christmas supper Tuesday evening in the church parlors. The tables were very prettily decorated with miniature Christmas trees and lighted by red candles. After a bountiful chicken supper the children marched into the main church where they enjoyed a delightful program of recitations and songs by the younger ones and short addresses by Dr. G. J. Kollen, Prof. J. T. Bergen and G. J. Diekema.

At a meeting of the Republican state central committee held in Grand Rapids, Tuesday, Hon. G. J. Diekema presiding, it was decided to hold the Republican judicial convention in Detroit March 6. The committee was given a banquet at noon by Chairman Diekema. Congressman William Alden Smith and Clerk Henry M. Rose of United States senate were guests. Chairman Diekema will return to Washington during the first week of January to act with the Spanish war claims commission.

The farmers of Drenthe have called a meeting of the residents of that locality to consider the feasibility of building an electric car line from Drenthe to Vriesland to connect with the G. R. H. & L. M. electric railway. The farmers want better facilities to ship their produce and the canning factory and the flour mill also wish an outlet by which to ship their goods. Drenthe has no railroad connections whatever and everything shipped from there must be first transported by wagon to the nearest railway station. Invitations to attend the meeting have been extended to Mayor De Roo of this city and also to the officers of the G. R. H. & L. M. rapid railway.

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TURNING A NEW LEAF A NEW YEAR'S STORY

By MANDA L. CROCKER.

MRS. MARCIA BERRIE had been mistress of the Shelly Farms for only a few short months; but long enough, after all, for every one in the neighborhood to have an opinion of John Berrie's second wife.

She dressed finer than his first wife did—most second wives do—she spent more hours at the piano, and seemed several degrees more aristocratic than the first Mrs. Berrie.

It was an honored custom, reaching back to the stouter branches of the ancestral tree, for the owner of the Farms to give a New Year's dinner to the countryside; and each guest was invited to come, and "turn a new leaf for yearly luck."

Of course, it was the "firsts," and not the "seconds" or "thirds," as the shippers say, who enjoyed these annual feasts and, usually, they began several weeks before to plan "what to wear." This year it seemed a necessity to be a little more particular about the cut of gowns and width of trimmings, for the new Mrs. Berrie was a lady of means in her own right, and dressed elaborately.

"We must make an impression," said Mrs. Wilton, decisively, "and she must feel that our presence is an honor to the Farms. I intend to have a new silk; a regular dinner party dress."

And so the "firsts" planned to surpass all former efforts, for the sake of profound impression; therefore, by the middle of December a score of lovely new gowns were the pride of as many ambitious feminine owners.

The mistress of Shelly Farms was affable and gracious to all, and the tony "firsts" were just dying to display their rich costumes in her honor. But for some unaccountable reason the invitations were tardy.

Could it be possible that the second wife was one of those new women, who would, at one fell swoop, eliminate the annual dinner? And would John Berrie stand that?

In sheer desperation of suspense, Mrs. Goldwaite was delegated to call at the Farms, ostensibly to speak of a philanthropic movement, but really to scout the New Year festivities and overdue cards.

Mrs. Berrie received her visitor very courteously and pleasantly, and supported the philanthropic idea enthusiastically, even graciously accepting the presidency of the society when they should organize. But when the conversation drifted into holiday news the caller could not, by any tact, draw out the bride's plans concerning New Year's day. Exasperated, Mrs. Goldwaite suddenly let go skimming and asked her, point blank, "if the Farms would give annual dinner this year?"

"O, certainly," answered the new wife, her face lighting up with pleasure, "husband and I have been planning for that some time. The invitations are late, but Mr. Berrie could not help me until to-day, and, of course, I am not well enough acquainted to get the names alone. We shall send them this week, however, and

at the adroitness of their "feint," and its success.

The expectant "firsts" were all agog for a few days, looking for invitations; but, strange to say, not one of them received the familiar square envelope with the "Berrie coat-of-arms in the corner, and things were once more fast assuming the mysterious.

But everything was made exceedingly plain, finally, by the buxom Mrs. Meigs, washer-woman for a trio of the immaculate set.

"And it's me and mine who are going to have a fine dinner on New Year's day!"



"Naw, Yer Away Off!"

she boasted to Mrs. Wilton on the next Monday morning, as she ran her broad hand through the steaming suds.

"Some one going to send you a nice basket?" queried Mrs. Wilton, thinking at once of the benevolent president to be.

"Naw! yer away off!" laughed the woman of labor. "We've an invitation to the New Year's dinner at Shelly Farms; got it in a fine cover with the Berrie army coat blazoned onto the corner of it."

"Why Mrs. Malinda Meigs!" exclaimed the astonished Mrs. Wilton, "you are not joking me?"

"No, ma'am, I'm not," giving the handle of the wringer an emphatic yank; "it's the Bible truth. And I was so tickled at what she writ onto the gold-aided card, she sent me."

"What was that?" asked Mrs. Wilton, desperately, the awfulness of a philanthropic "movement" gripping her heart-strings.

"Why, she writ that 'she and her husband would turn the new leaf themselves this time and invite the worthy poor to dine with them on New Year's day.' And now," dropping her voice to one of pleasant interrogative, "where be you again to dine, New Year's, ma'am?"

"I hardly know yet," answered Mrs. Wilton, truthfully; then she fled to the closet and studied the fine, new dinner dress, with conflicting thoughts.

For a young chit from college to come lording it into their midst and make such unheard of snubbing plans in her endeavor to appear peculiar, was simply outrageous! The Shelly Farms' new leaf was perfectly abominable! Something would have to be done to offset this disgusting philanthropy.

By four o'clock that afternoon Mrs. Wilton had made the rounds of the insulted elite of the countryside; and a swell

dinner-party had been arranged for, at Mrs. Goldwaite's, for three solid reasons. First, to air their new toilettes; second, to soothe one another in their common grievance, and third, the Goldwaite cottage was so situated that they could easily see the coarse tide of the "seconds"—and possibly the "thirds"—flow to the farms.

Punctually at the appointed time the outraged upper current gathered at the appointed place to see the outrageous under current set toward the philanthropic president.

By three o'clock all the indigent but respectable people of the neighborhood had gone by in their Sunday best.

"Onions and sauerkraut!" drawled Mr. Wilton, as a German family passed on foot.

"Our white necktie brigade," commented another "first," as the pastor of a poor church, a mile away, and the superintendent of its Sunday school, together with a dozen scholars, went by in a double sleigh. And the "firsts" rustled their silks and smiled in aristocratic contempt.

Before the Goldwaite party broke up, however, a messenger from the Farms bowed himself into their midst and out again, leaving the hostess looking suspiciously at a message in her hand, with "the army coat blazoned onto the corner," as Mrs. Meigs would have said. She glanced timidly around the expectant circle and finally drew forth a daintily perfumed note and read:

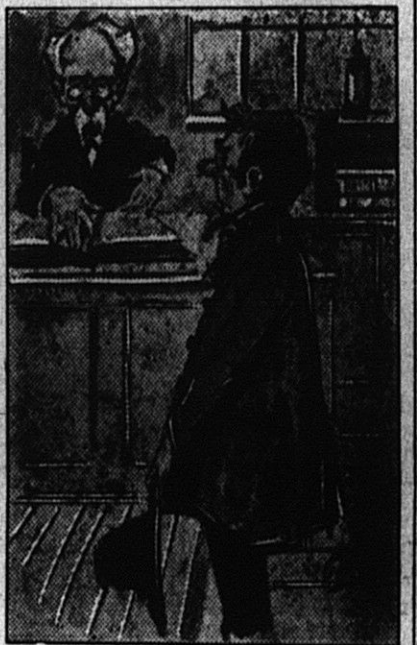
"A very happy New Year to all! It has occurred to us, dear people, that you may not have comprehended our motive in bidding our guests for the day. As we all are interested in philanthropic work, we will be understood when we say, the new leaf we turned is very timely and beautiful, and has made many hearts happy. Husband and I turned the leaf suggested by Luke, the beloved physician. We knew you were all well able to return the compliment, and so we bade those who could not recompense us.

"We extend greetings and desire that you all rejoice with us. Mr. and Mrs. John Berrie, Shelly Farms."

The "firsts" looked soberly at each other; the spirit of the note touched the good in them and the new dinner dresses were, for the time, forgotten.

"Yes," they said, "the whole neighborhood has enjoyed a Happy New Year to-day. Surely it is a pleasant new leaf! But the philanthropic society has never been organized, although the prospective president is ready and waiting."

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"Jedge, I want to swear off to-day. What'll you charge for a pledge?" "Twenty-five cents."

"Can't you make it, five for a dollar?"

A Genuine Picnic.

Johnny Jones—Did you have fun watching the old year out and the new year in?

Willie Boerum—Did I? Say! I watched my sister and her beau watch the old year out and the new year in—Brooklyn Eagle.

Society and x x x Personal.

Three Young Men Entertain.

Three of Holland's best known young men, Ross Cooper, Percy Ray and Ed Westveer, entertained their friends at the K. of P. hall last Friday evening and incidentally set a mark that heretofore had not been approached by other young men of this city. Not only that but the ladies admitted that it would tax all of the social ingenuity of the fair sex to overstep the mark.

The first part of the evening was spent at cards and the hall was crowded with players. First prizes were won by Miss Sadie Borgman and Abe Cap-lan and second by Miss Belle Lind-ey and L. E. Van Drezer. Dainty refreshments were served by the Misses Phila Ederly and Mable Huntley, nobly assisted by the three hosts, and the hall was cleared for dancing. Music was furnished by Miss Mayse Markham and Will Breyman and it was more than a "little trifle" after midnight when the merry dancers thought of going home.

The guests present from out of town were the Misses Bessie and Belle Lindley, Jeannette and Katherine Vander Veen and Louise Kutche of Grand Rapids, Miss Anna Floyd of Chicago and Mr. Van Drezer of Grand Haven.

A large audience gathered in Hope church Monday evening to listen to the Christmas cantata, "The Coming of the King." Preceding the cantata Miss Amy Yates played an inspiring introduction, and Mr. Bergen in his usual graphic way told the historical story of the birth of the Christ child. All regretted the illness of Miss Grace Yates, which weakened the soprano and necessitated the omission of some of the best solos. Nevertheless the choir did justice to Dr. Gilmore's efficient leadership. Fred Klevn's sweet tenor was a revelation to all of his friends who had not realized the possibilities in the development of his voice. Mrs. A. Diekema, Martin Dykema and Dr. Gilmore, who rendered the other solo parts showed their remarkable musical ability. Dr. Gilmore's clear, full base impressively brought out the importance, while Mrs. Diekema's rich alto and Mr. Dykema's expressive tenor revealed the love of the coming of the King. The bases were strengthened by the addition of Mr. Oakley from the Episcopal choir.

There was a family reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Souter at Beachwood, Christmas Eve. The occasion was the 63rd anniversary of Mr. Souter's birth. Twenty-two of the children and grandchildren gathered together to spend a pleasant evening. Vocal and instrumental music were features of the occasion after which an oyster supper was served. Another reason for rejoicing was the return of his daughter Mrs. Wm. J. Dick, formerly Miss Pearl Maude Souter who was married Wednesday afternoon to Mr. Dick by Rev. J. Van Houten of Joy Memorial Church Grand Rapids. After a late hour the guests went home to hang up their stockings and enjoy dreams of Santa Claus. Mrs. Dick is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Souter and Mr. Dick is an estimable young man of Saugatuck Mich.

Miss Jennie Werkman entertained a number of friends with progressive lunch at her home, 63 West Eleventh street, last evening. The head prize for ladies was won by Miss Augusta Otto and for gentlemen by Ed Van Landegend. Elaborate refreshments were served and a delightful evening was passed.

Last evening in the Modern Woodman hall in the Rink block a delightful Christmas ball and entertainment was held under the direction of Abe Jappings, Jake Jappings, and Robert McElwain. Messrs Dugan and Smith were at their best in con songs and ragtime sketches and afforded excellent entertainment in the musical line. Bud Smith was floor manager at the ball, and music was furnished by the Twentieth Century string band. It was a delightful party and all who attended speak in the highest terms of the treatment accorded by the courteous hosts.

The Pedro party and dance given by the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs was well attended. Head prizes were won by Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Clark; second prizes by Miss Maud Clark and Leo Mascotte. Music was furnished by the Odd Fellows orchestra. The next party will be given Friday, January 2.

Preparatory to inventory DuMex Bros. have made great reductions on the balance of their stock of cloaks and jackets, which must be closed out in order to make room for spring goods, \$10 jackets now \$8, \$8 jackets now \$6.75, \$7 jackets now \$6.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Laepple were surprised by a number of friends last Friday evening. The time was passed very pleasantly at cards.

Anthony Van Ry, fireman on a passenger train of the Pere Marquette railroad, is home on a two weeks' visit.

Miss Kate Ten Houten, teacher in the public schools at Boyne Falls, is spending the holidays with her parents in this city.

Miss Hattie Boone, of Zeeland, was the guest of Miss Reka Riksen Sunday.

Gerrit G. Van Dyke, of this city, and Peter Kraal, of New Holland, have returned from Lyon county, Iowa, where they spent the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Shetterly of Cadillac, and Mrs. Clara Shetterly, of Ann Arbor, are the guests of Attorney and Mrs. Arthur Van Duren.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Tanner of Macatawa, were the guests of relatives in Grand Rapids Christmas.

Capt. and Mrs. Peter Jensen left Wednesday for Chicago to spend the holidays.

Attorney Geo. E. Kollen was in Allegan Tuesday.

Peter McCarthy, proprietor of Virginia park hotel, was in the city this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Murray were the guests of friends in Charlotte Christmas.

William Danson was in Grand Rapids Tuesday.

Mrs. J. J. Mersen and two children returned Tuesday from a visit with friends in Kalamazoo.

Charles Floyd, J. B. Mulder, B. Van Bealte, Jr., Java Verschure and B. A. Mulder attended a meeting of the M. A. of S. D. society in Grand Rapids, Tuesday night.

Louis A. Holley, student at the M. A. C., is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Holley, 153 West Tenth street.

Miss Anna Elizabeth Eloyd, of Chicago, is spending the holidays with her brother, Charles Floyd, of this city.

Tom Robinson, of Hotel Holland, is the guest of his parents in South Haven.

Rod McCune, of Chicago, traveling salesman of the Kellogg Telephone Supply company, spent a few days vacation with friends in this city. He was the guest of Guy Gilmore at Hotel De Gilmore at Macatawa most of the time.

A. E. Atwood, of Grand Rapids, representing the H. J. Heluz Co., was in the city Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Wise visited friends in Grand Rapids Monday.

S. Dean, of Brooklyn, N. Y., who is the guest of his daughter, Mrs. J. T. Bergen, will leave in a few days for Oakland, Cal., where he will spend the winter.

Richard H. Post, Hoyt Post, Oswald Visscher, Cornelius Van der Meulen, William Winters, William E'rick, Clarence and Edward Kremers, Benjamin Lugers and William Bolt are home from the U. of M. for the Christmas holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Dregman were in Grand Rapids Saturday.

Miss Louise Kutche, of Grand Rapids, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Vander Veen the first of the week.

Mrs. J. Banninga is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Nicholas Vos, of Muskegon.

Mrs. T. W. Oakley is visiting friends and relatives at Mt. Vernon, New York.

Mrs. J. P. Oggel was in Grand Rapids Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Clark and daughter are spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. J. D. Frye of Cutler, Ind.

Will Olive was in Grand Rapids and Mill Creek this week on business.

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Mr. and Mrs. John F. Dryden of Allegan, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. James Koning of W. 13th street.

Mrs. John Krutzenga is seriously ill at her home on E. Eighth st. She is 82 years of age and came to Holland in '48.

Peter Brink of Graftschap is visiting with John M. Mulder of this city. Mr. and Mrs. George Kle n are spending the holidays in Detroit.

Miss Beatrice Klump on is visiting relatives in Kensington, Ill.

A. J. Ward and family of Flint are guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Harrington, East Ninth street.

Prof. J. Nies of Chicago and Harry Nies of Detroit, are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. John Nies, Eighth street.

Miss Blanche Cathcart of Grand Rapids is spending her Christmas vacation with her parents in this city.



"How About Your Annual Dinner?"

I shall enjoy the 'new leaf turning' with my neighbors exceedingly."

This information was what Mrs. Goldwaite had talked philanthropy for two full hours for, and she took her leave, feeling that she was a heroine of the first water. But Mrs. Berrie accompanied her caller to the front gate in her eagerness to talk more about the "movement." "It is to elevate the toilers, I understand," she said, "and to get in touch with our poorer neighbors!"

"Y-e-s," answered Mrs. Goldwaite, hesitating to break up her luxurious New Year's dream by bumping against the intrusive fact that washwomen and ditch diggers occupied the same planet together with the "firsts."

"Yes," she repeated, "and when we organize you will accept the presidency?" and she got up an interested look, almost as good as the genuine.

"Certainly," was the reply. "I thank you for the honor," and Mrs. John Berrie pressed the caller's hand fervently. The delegate was not very favorably influenced with the young wife's enthusiasm over the question, and the pressure of her hand chilled, rather than thrilled, her festive heart.

But one consoling thought ran through it all: they never would "organize." It was only a subterfuge to nose out something more substantial.

Mrs. Goldwaite tripped along to the turning, where she met Mrs. Wilton, who reined in her ponies to ask breathlessly: "Did you find out?"

"To be sure; it takes me to find out," and she tossed her head in triumph. "They will have the dinner as usual. But Mrs. Berrie, not being acquainted, could not write the invitations alone; and Mr. Berrie could not help her until to-day."

"O, yes!" cried Mrs. Wilton, "that accounts for it all. Well, we are ready and will be delighted to help turn the new leaf this year, because of the sweet hostess."

"She was wonderfully elated, though, over the philanthropic work," and Mrs. Goldwaite rolled up her eyes in mock seriousness. Both ladies giggled and clapped their hands, immensely amused



THE COMING OF

THE NEW YEAR



WHY did they ring the bells last night
In steeples white and tall?
Why was the earth with joy bedight?
The soft snow over all:
Was it a dream, or did I hear
A sound beneath my sill,
While winter's starlight, cold and clear,
Revealed the sleeping hill?

DAY, say, the New Year came last night,
His footprints in the fleecy white:
The watchers saw this morn:
The newborn guest is at the door,
And drink the Glad New Year:
But he will leave us old and poor
A fleeting year from now.

HE brings to all who wait for him
A smile, a laugh, a tear:
So, fill the chalice to the brim
And drink the Glad New Year:
Let every heart be gay and light,
And vanish every sigh,
A New Year came to us last night
Adown the winter sky.

HE, at his beck the bells will ring,
In Springtime's scented bowers,
And from beneath his feet will spring
God's sweetest, fairest flowers:
He'll tarry till the Summer weaves
Her web of many hues,
And Autumn 'mid her golden sheaves
Her happiness remove.

FOR him the songsters of the dells
Will strike their clearest strains,
And buttercups and lily buds
Will deck the woods and plains:
His skies will wear the softest blue,
The brook that seeks the sea
Will have a song for me and you,
Beneath the stately trees.

NOR will he leave us till once more
The earth is robed in snow,
And on the ever-sounding shore
The winds of winter blow:
Then, leaning on his own good staff,
Kindhearted, old and gray,
The vintage of the year he'll quaff
And slowly pass away.

BLESS the bells that ring him in,
With many a song and shout,
Ere long, I know, amid earth's din
They'll gladly ring him out:
But while he tarries as our guest
Let there be ringing cheer:
He'll be the friend we love the best—
The winsome, glad New Year!

HE came before the dawn of day,
A cherub with a smile,
Adown the filmy starlit way
He traveled many a mile:
And at each door all o'er the land
He knocked amid the din;
And bled be whose kindly hand
Was first to let him in.

THE chalice fill and let him know
That love for him is strong,
Amid the softly falling snow
O greet him with a song:
From pole to pole, from sea to sea,
In accents loud and clear,
Let every heart be glad and free
To greet the good New Year.
T. C. Harbaugh.

GIVING IT DEEP THOUGHT.

President Considering the Wisdom of Accepting Invitation to Arbitrate Venezuelan Dispute.

PROPOSALS OF ALLIES ARE RECEIVED.

Are in Such Form That He Can Accept or Reject Them Outright—If He Accepts Responsibility He Will Act with All Speed in Settling the Dispute.

Washington, Dec. 24.—The proposals of Great Britain and Germany that President Roosevelt arbitrate the Venezuelan dispute have reached Washington. They are in such form that the president can accept or reject the proposition outright. So far, the messages having been received while the president was absent from the white house, he has had no opportunity to consider them and until he does so his decision cannot be known. For the same reason nothing can be gathered here as to the details of the proposals, and although great interest is felt as to the extent of the limitations which the allies will ask to be placed on the arbitration, curiosity on that point must remain unsatisfied until the president has finally made up his mind what he shall do. It is known that he is disposed to act with all speed in this matter, for he realizes that the conditions on the blockade line are such that almost any moment an unpleasant incident may occur, through the obstinacy of some skipper or from a genuine misunderstanding as to the terms of the blockade, that may diminish the chances of a peaceful settlement of the Venezuelan trouble.

No Word from Commander Diehl.

Washington, Dec. 24.—The navy department up to noon Wednesday had received no word from Commander Diehl, of the Marietta, concerning his reported protest against the action of the blockading squadron at Caracas in refusing to allow the Red D liner Caracas to remain in the harbor Tuesday long enough to discharge her cargo. No request for instructions has come from him. The officials of the department have entire confidence in Commander Diehl's ability to handle the situation and unless they hear something from him in the shape of a protest against the action of the allies they will make no move. As a rule it is agreed that a blockading fleet can do pretty much as it likes. It is intimated, as a possible reason for the position taken by the allies in declining to allow the Caracas to remain in the harbor at night, that in the dark it would be difficult to exercise surveillance of what was being taken out of her hold. For the same reason the allies may have decided that she should not return to the harbor Wednesday, but should take on her passengers outside.

Germany Anxious.

Berlin, Dec. 24.—Germany is anxious to receive President Roosevelt's acceptance of the formal invitation from Germany and Great Britain to act as arbitrator in the Venezuelan controversy. The German government's preference is very decidedly in favor of arbitration through President Roosevelt, rather than through The Hague tribunal, because it believes the president will reach an early decision, whereas The Hague court would require many months. The officials here also insist that it is to the United States' advantage to have the president decide the matter.

The German steamer *Siberia*, which sailed from Hamburg for Venezuela Tuesday, carried an expert in international law, who will act as counsel for Commodore Scheder in technical legal questions arising during the blockade.

Blockade of Porto Cabello Effective.

Berlin, Dec. 24.—Commodore Scheder reports that the German blockade of Porto Cabello began December 23 and that the blockade of Maracaibo by the Germans commenced Wednesday.

Rome Wants President to Act.

Rome, Dec. 24.—Italy's reply to the arbitration proposal of Venezuela through Minister Bowen and the government of the United States, among other things says Italy would be pleased if the question was settled by the arbitration of President Roosevelt, and adds that if he does not accept Italy will have no objection to submitting the solution to The Hague tribunal.

Rebels Threaten Caracas.

Willemstad, Island of Curacao, Dec. 23 (by boat from La Guayra).—The revolutionists, strengthened by the impossibility of the government suppressing the smuggling of arms and ammunition into the country, and by the fact that it has no longer any fleet at its disposal, have made answer to President Castro's proposition that they turn their arms against the foreigners who have attacked Venezuela by referring him to Gen. Matos, their only chief capable of dealing with the matter.

The rebels have regained courage. The government, which signed with them an armistice of ten days which ends Thursday, has 3,600 men at Barquisimeto and 2,500 near Caracas, but all others who had enrolled themselves to fight against the foreigners have retired.

To Invade Caracas by Three Points.

The revolutionists have planned a march on Caracas by three roads; the leaders Ramos, Antonio Guevara, Urbane and Penaloza, with 2,500 men, will march by Guizir; Antonio Fernandez, Osio and Crespo Torres, with 2,500 more, have left Camanagua, and Gen. Bolando, with 2,500 troops, will go

from Alta Gracia. Ammunition is expected to arrive every day near Tucuc.

Castro in Sore Straits.

For President Castro the situation is considered to be again perilous. Attacked by foreigners and his own countrymen, he can with difficulty resist the shocks, as the government's resources have vanished. The president's departure for La Victoria Wednesday is for the purpose of trying to check the near advance to the capital of the revolutionists.

Gen. Matos will leave Curacao shortly.

A TERRIBLE CHARGE.

Woman Arrested at David City, Neb., on Charge of Murdering Her Husband.

David City, Neb., Dec. 24.—Lena M. Lillie was arrested Tuesday evening on complaint of County Attorney Walling, charged with murdering her husband. The arrest has caused a sensation. Harvey Lillie was shot dead in his bed in October, supposedly by burglars, although the suspicion that the house had been robbed was later disproved. Since then the county attorney and detectives have been working on the case. The family was prominent, Mr. Lillie being local manager for one of the leading grain and elevator companies of the state. Mrs. Lillie was arraigned, pleaded not guilty and was admitted to bail in the sum of \$2,000, furnished by her father.

A NOVEL PLEA.

Reasons for Resistance of Suits for Damages Presented by Wabash Railway Company.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 24.—In the 12 suits for damages begun in the circuit court here in behalf of the estates of Italians killed in the head-on collision at Seneca, Mich., a year ago Thanksgiving day, the Wabash railroad has filed a plea setting up that the Italians were aliens and outside the provisions of the Michigan statutes relating to death by wrongful act, and furthermore that they were contract laborers and therefore, when killed, were engaged in an offense under the immigration laws. Each case is for \$50,000.

BURNED TO DEATH.

Mother Tries to Save Her Child Whose Clothing Was Ablaze and Both Perish.

Frankfort, Ind., Dec. 24.—Mrs. Charles Davis and a four-year-old daughter were burned to death Tuesday afternoon, and a six-year-old daughter seriously burned at their home, eight miles east of this city. The younger child had been playing near a stove when her clothing ignited. The mother and older child made heroic attempts to extinguish the blazing garments of the little one, but without avail, the child dying almost instantly. The mother was so badly burned that she died a few minutes later.

Gibbons Writes Christmas Letters.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 24.—Cardinal Gibbons, in accordance with his annual custom, has sent letters of greeting appropriate to the season of Christmas to the pope and each of the cardinals, numbering over 60, throughout the world. His eminence has likewise sent a letter to each of the Catholic crowned heads, including the emperor of Austria, the king of Spain, the king and queen of Portugal, the king of the Belgians, the king of Saxony and the prince regent of Bavaria.

Sale of Steamboat Line.

Benton Harbor, Mich., Dec. 24.—Secretary Morton, of the Graham & Morton Transportation company, announced Wednesday that the company had been reorganized under the laws of Indiana, and that the entire fleet of boats operated by the company has been purchased by President J. H. Graham, while the real estate of the company has passed into the hands of the Crawford estate.

Shot in Self-Defense.

Pensacola, Fla., Dec. 24.—In a fight over a game of dice here, Walker Humphreys, a conductor on the Louisville & Nashville road, shot and instantly killed W. M. Barnett, a groceryman. The coroner's jury rendered a verdict saying Humphreys acted in self-defense. Barnett had previously threatened to kill Humphreys.

Wages Advanced.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 24.—Notices will be posted throughout the Connelville coke region Wednesday granting the 20,000 employees of the Frick Coke company a voluntary advance in wages averaging eight per cent. The increase will take effect January 1.

Campaign Proves Fatal.

Davenport, Ia., Dec. 24.—Julius Lischer, county attorney, and one of the most prominent republican politicians in Iowa, died Wednesday morning from a complication of troubles aggravated by active participation in the last campaign.

Sharkey Given Ten Years.

New York, Dec. 24.—Thomas J. Sharkey, the private detective, who was convicted of manslaughter in the second degree for having killed Nicholas A. Fish, the banker, on September 27, was Wednesday sentenced to state's prison for ten years.

Accidentally Shot.

Springville, Ala., Dec. 24.—Prof. Jacob Forney, of the state university, was accidentally killed here Wednesday morning while shooting sparrows with a parlor rifle.

Treaty Gasetted.

Madrid, Dec. 24.—Notification of the conclusion of an arbitration treaty between Spain and Uruguay was gasetted Wednesday.

BY HER HUSBAND'S SIDE.

Remains of the Late Julia D. Grant Placed in the Mausoleum on Riverside Drive.

FUNERAL SERVICES IN WASHINGTON.

They Are Attended by the President, Members of the Cabinet and Other Distinguished Men — Last Rites Are Paid to the Dead in New York City.

Washington, Dec. 22.—In the presence of a notable assemblage, including President Roosevelt, some of his cabinet, many senators and representatives, Mr. Takihira, the Japanese minister, and one of his attaches, and most of the army, navy and marine officers in the city in their dress uniforms, funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Julia Dent Grant, the widow of the former soldier-president, were held in this city Saturday morning, and the casket immediately afterward was taken to New York on a train over the Pennsylvania railroad, which left here at 11 o'clock. All of the children of Mrs. Grant were present except Jesse Grant.

Placed in the Tomb.

New York, Dec. 22.—The body of Mrs. Ulysses S. Grant lies in the great red granite sarcophagus beside that in which the remains of her husband rest, in the tomb overlooking the Hudson river. On the arrival of the funeral train at Jersey City the casket, piled high with flowers, was borne on the shoulders of six men on board the quartermaster's department steamer Gen. Meigs, a detachment of U. S. Grant post G. A. R., and the committee of the Grant Monument association, which accompanied the funeral party from Washington, acting as escort. The body was placed in a bier on the forward deck of the Meigs, which started immediately up the river for the tomb. The members of the funeral party proceeded direct to the Fifth Avenue hotel. On reaching the landing place the casket was transferred to a hearse and taken to the tomb, the route being lined by double ranks of police. The body was placed in the sarcophagus without any ceremony in the presence of Ulysses S. Grant, Jr., the escort and a little group of officials.

The Final Services.

In the mausoleum on Riverside drive brief and simple services were conducted Sunday over the remains of Mrs. Grant. The services, conducted by Bishop E. G. Andrews, of the Methodist Episcopal church, and Right Rev. Alexander Mackay E. Smith, Protestant Episcopal bishop coadjutor of Pennsylvania, opened with the hymn, "Lead Kindly Light," after which the burial services of the Methodist Episcopal and the Protestant Episcopal churches were read. The services were closed with the reading of a poem, "The Land Beyond the Sea," which had been a favorite of Mrs. Grant, and the singing of the hymn, "Abide With Me."

A SERIOUS CONDITION.

Famine in Finland Through Which 400,000 Persons Are Destitute and Starving.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 20.—Four hundred thousand persons are reported to be destitute and starving as a result of the crop failure in Finland. The Anglo-American church here has undertaken to feed and clothe the school children of four Finnish parishes, and Pastor Francis has issued an appeal for assistance in this work. He says the conditions today are worse than those of 1887, when 100,000 persons died.

Bold Gang of Robbers.

Bloomington, Ill., Dec. 24.—A gang of safe robbers, which has been terrorizing central Illinois for the past year, robbed the post office at Leroy Monday night of \$1,000 in money, stamps and registered letters. Then proceeding to Saybrook, eight miles north, they demolished the jail, using a telephone pole as a battering ram. The gang then escaped with a stolen horse and buggy.

Awful Suffering at Andijan.

London, Dec. 23.—A dispatch from New Marghelan, Russian Turkestan, reports that the earthquake at Andijan killed 2,500 people in and near that city, and destroyed 16,000 houses. The rumblings continue. The authorities so far have not been able to cope with the destitution of the starving, unsheltered populace.

Department of Commerce.

Washington, Dec. 20.—A department of commerce bill, providing for a new cabinet officer, will be favorably reported to the house and passage is certain. George B. Cortelyou, the president's secretary, may be appointed. It provides for bureaus for corporations, insurance and manufactures.

Will Be Shot to Death.

Salt Lake, Dec. 24.—District Judge Booth refused a new trial in the cases of James Lynch and P. L. King, under sentence of death for the murder of Col. Prowse nearly two years ago, and sentenced the men to be shot to death on February 20 next.

Killed His Brother.

Asheville, N. C., Dec. 23.—Zeb Wilson, recently elected state senator from Yancey county, was killed Monday at Burnsville by his brother, Hiram Wilson. It is reported that the brothers quarreled in connection with the sale of a horse.

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Commissioner on Claims

STATE OF MICHIGAN. COUNTY OF OTTAWA

Probate Court for said County. Estate of Martinus Van Tubbergen, deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed by the Judge of Probate of said County, Commissioners on Claims in the matter of said estate, and six months from the 31st day of November, A. D. 1902, having been allowed by said Judge of Probate to all persons holding claims against said estate, in which to present their claims to us for examination and adjustment.

Notice is hereby given, That we will meet on Friday the Thirtieth day of March A. D. 1903 and on Thursday the 31st day of May, A. D. 1903 at nine o'clock a. m. of each day, at the office of Arthur Van Duren in the City of Holland in said County, to receive and examine such claims.

Dated December 12th A. D. 1902.

ARTHUR VAN DUREN, JOHN C. POST, Commissioners.

Probate Order.

STATE OF MICHIGAN. COUNTY OF OTTAWA

At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Ottawa, holden at the Probate Office, in the City of Grand Haven, in said county, on Monday the 22nd day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and two.

Present, EDWARD P. KIRBY, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Gerrit Plakke, deceased, On reading and filing the petition, duly verified of Jan Plakke, executor of the estate of said deceased, praying for the examination and allowance of his final account as such executor that he may be discharged from his trust, have his bond cancelled and said estate closed.

Thereupon it is Ordered, That Monday, the Nineteenth day of January next,

at ten o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition, and that the heirs at law of said deceased, and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said Court, then to be holden at the Probate Office in the City of Grand Haven, in said county, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted: And it is further Ordered, That said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof by causing a copy of this order to be published in the HOLLAND CITY NEWS, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county of Ottawa, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

A true copy, Attest.

EDWARD P. KIRBY, Judge of Probate

50-3w FANNY DICKINSON, Probate Clerk.

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A REIGN OF TERROR.

Nonunion Miners Say It Existed in Anthracite Region—Judge Gray Denounces the Boycott.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 19.—The coal strike commission listened Thursday to further testimony tending to show that a reign of terror existed in the anthracite coal fields during the 5½ months of the mine workers' strike. About a score of witnesses were called during the two sessions by the attorneys for the nonunion men. They told of serious boycotts, brutal attacks by crowds of men, women and boys, and an attempt to burn the house of a nonunion man. In most instances the witnesses testified that the alleged offenders were members of the miners' union. The lawyers for the miners objected frequently to the admission of testimony or hearsay and sometimes objected because of irrelevancy of certain other statements.

Chairman Gray said the commission was not bound by any strict rules of evidence, but asked counsel to confine themselves in examining witnesses as far as possible to direct evidence. He said it was too difficult, in trying to prove that boycotts exist, to get information on the subject. The commission, he said, wanted to know whether a reign of terror existed in the anthracite region, and it could not get that information if the strict rules of evidence were applied. "The coward who will go to the storekeepers," he said, "and tell them not to sell the necessities of life to a poor woman, usually seeks the security that the law of evidence throws around him. If a girl is discharged from her position in a store, because she rode in a street car in inclement weather, while a street car strike was on, the coward who discharged her is coward enough to refuse to testify." He recognized, he said, why some merchants will not come forward and tell who forced him to refuse to sell necessities of life to certain boycotted persons, but if he (Chairman Gray) were a storekeeper, he thought he would risk his all in order to assist in breaking up the cowardly business.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 22.—The anthracite coal strike commission held its last session of the year Saturday and adjourned to meet in Philadelphia on Tuesday, January 6.

WORK IN CONGRESS.

Doings of the Second Session of the Fifty-Seventh National Assembly—Holiday Recess.

Washington, Dec. 22.—The senate on Saturday passed a bill authorizing payment of judgments amounting to \$1,000,000 on account of destruction of property in Hawaii in connection with the fight on the bubonic plague in those islands in 1899. Adjourned until January 5, 1903.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The house passed a bill to reduce the duties on the products of the Philippine islands coming into the United States from 75 per cent. of the Dingley rates (the present duties) to 25 per cent. of those rates. The McCall resolution, calling for the correspondence in the Venezuelan imbroglio was adopted.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The pure food bill was passed by the house, 72 to 21. Penalty is provided for shipping or receiving adulterated food or imitation of other products, in states or territories. False labeling as foreign product is prohibited.

Washington, Dec. 22.—The house adjourned on Saturday until January 5, 1903, after adopting the bill fixing the sum for compensation and expenses of the coal strike commission as amended by the senate.

A SUDDEN CALL.

Ex-United States Senator Sabin, of Minnesota, Dies of Heart Disease in Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Former United States Senator Dwight M. Sabin, of Minnesota, died suddenly early this morning in his apartments at the Auditorium Annex. Senator Sabin had been a guest of the hotel since November 2, being accompanied by his wife and daughter. He was stricken with heart failure about 11 o'clock last night, and Mrs. Sabin promptly notified the office and Dr. Hammond was summoned. He found Mr. Sabin in a dying condition and beyond medical aid. The patient remained unconscious for upward of an hour and the end was peaceful.

Heavy Loss by Fire.

Escanaba, Mich., Dec. 24.—Fire broke out in the butter dish department of the Escanaba Woodenware company's plant, and before it was under control that portion of the plant was destroyed. The total loss is estimated at between \$80,000 and \$100,000, with about \$40,000 insurance. It was the fiercest fire seen here in a number of years.

A Fast Run.

Toledo, O., Dec. 23.—The Twentieth Century Limited on the Lake Shore Monday made a fast run between Toledo and Elkhart. The run of 134 miles was made in 127 minutes. A part of this run was made in a dense fog.

Iowa Judge Dead.

Cedar Rapids, Ia., Dec. 23.—James D. Giffen, former district judge and prominent pioneer lawyer and republican politician, died suddenly Monday at his home at Marion, from heart failure. He was 63 years old.

Chaffee to Follow Young.

Washington, Dec. 22.—It is stated at the war department that Gen. Chaffee will succeed Gen. Young as lieutenant general of the army upon the retirement of Gen. Young, who will succeed Gen. Miles.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

For the Week Ending Dec. 24.
Admiral Walker is in favor of a material increase in the fighting power of the navy.

R. C. Whayne, of Louisville, Ky., who carried \$300,000 insurance, is found to have died by accident.

James Orgonopolos, of Chicago, was fined \$25 and costs for kissing Mollie Manfield, 16 years old.

Yale plans to have \$1,250,000 worth of new biennial buildings completed for the commencement of 1903.

Gen. Francis V. Greene is to succeed Col. Partridge as commissioner of New York police on January 1.

Beet sugar congressmen deny that opposition to the Cuban reciprocity has been withdrawn in the senate.

Fire in Beatrice, Neb., destroyed Masonic block, valued at \$100,000, and routed out guests of an adjacent hotel.

Leading express companies are to follow the example of Wells, Fargo & Co., increasing wages of employees ten per cent.

A monopoly of raw material by Americans has caused French boot and shoe manufacturers to raise the prices of footwear.

Menacing conditions exist owing to the shortage of coal. Plenty of the fuel is mined but railways lack facilities to get it to market.

A slot machine restaurant, serving food and drink in exchange for dimes and nickels, has been opened in New York. Nine others are planned.

A "Carnation League of America," to perpetuate William McKinley's memory, is proposed to the National memorial trustees by Lewis G. Reynolds, of Dayton, O.

Pope Leo collapsed while addressing the cardinals in the vatican library and was carried to his bed. He had referred bitterly to attacks on religious orders during his jubilee.

M. Coubertin chairman of the international olympian games committee, expresses strong sentiment against the transfer of the games from Chicago to St. Louis.

A farmers' association will be incorporated at Indianapolis to secure beneficial legislation and better freight and market rates. J. A. Everitt, of Indianapolis, is to be president.

The city of Chicago will gain annually in revenue \$640,000 if it wins the suit now being argued at Springfield to compel separate taxation of lands, sidetracks, etc., of all railways.

Knoxville (Tenn.) business district was damaged \$350,000 by the fire Monday morning. Eight principal firms in the wholesale district were burned out, besides several smaller concerns.

A life insurance policy issued on a murderer's life is held invalid by the supreme court. The decision is based on the case of the Union Central Life vs. S. M. Burt, executed for wife murder.

Judge Gray, president of the coal strike arbitrators, sent a Christmas box of books and toys for Andrew Chipple, who testified he worked in the mines at four cents daily to pay debts of his father.

A report comes from New York of an alleged project to construct a new elevated railway in Chicago to tap the stockyards district. It is to cost \$50,000,000 and run under the surface of Clark street until clear of the downtown district.

Two German electrical companies, the Allgemaine, with \$22,125,000 capital, and the Union, with \$85,000,000, have agreed to combine with an American as the manager. The merger is due to the collapse of the recent electrical boom.

DISASTROUS WRECK.

Rear-End Collision on the Southern Pacific Road in California Causes 24 Deaths.

Martinez, Cal., Dec. 22.—As a result of a rear-end collision between the Stockton flyer and the "Owl" train on the Southern Pacific, at Byron, Saturday night, 24 deaths have already been recorded. Most of the wounded passengers who were too severely injured to be taken to their homes were taken to the Southern Pacific hospital at San Francisco Sunday, and on the way to that place five victims died.

THE MARKETS.

New York, Dec. 24.
LIVE STOCK—Steers..... \$4.00 @ 5.50
Hogs..... 6.20 @ 6.40
Sheep..... 2.25 @ 4.00
WHEAT—Wheat..... 2.20 @ 2.25
WHEAT—July..... 2.20 @ 2.25
May..... 2.15 @ 2.20
Rye..... 1.15 @ 1.20
Rye—State..... 55 @ 56
CORN—January..... 53 1/2 @ 54
CORN—Crack White..... 23 @ 24
BUTTER..... 20 @ 22
CHEESE..... 13 @ 14
EGGS..... 15 1/2 @ 16

CHICAGO.
CATTLE—Christmas Bees..... \$4.00 @ 6.75
Texas Steers..... 4.40 @ 4.75
Medium Beef Steers..... 4.65 @ 5.20
Common and Rough..... 2.90 @ 3.50
Bulls..... 2.25 @ 4.85
HOGS—Light..... 5.95 @ 6.30
Heavy Mixed..... 6.10 @ 6.40
SHEEP..... 3.15 @ 4.50
BUTTER—Creamery..... 13 @ 23
Dairy..... 17 @ 22
EGGS..... 20 @ 25
POTATOES (per sack)..... 40 @ 45
MESS PORK—January..... 6.00 @ 6.15
LARD—January..... 9.75 @ 9.75
RIBS—January..... 8.75 @ 8.45
GRIN—Wheat, December..... 74 1/2 @ 75
Oats, December..... 21 1/2 @ 22 1/2
Barley, Choice..... 55 @ 58
Rye, No. 2..... 45 1/2 @ 49

MILWAUKEE.
GRAIN—Wheat, May..... \$7.00 @ 7.75
Corn, May..... 35 1/2 @ 37 1/2
Oats, Standard..... 23 @ 23 1/2
Rye, No. 1..... 51 @ 51 1/2
Barley, Standard..... 56 @ 57

KANSAS CITY.
GRAIN—Wheat, May..... \$6.40 @ 6.75
Corn, May..... 35 1/2 @ 37 1/2
Oats, No. 2 White..... 23 1/2 @ 24
Rye, No. 2..... 44 @ 44 1/2

ST. LOUIS.
CATTLE—Beef Steers..... \$4.30 @ 6.00
Texas Steers..... 4.25 @ 4.50
HOGS—Packers..... 2.25 @ 2.50
Butchers..... 2.25 @ 2.50
OMAHA.
CATTLE—Native Steers..... \$3.00 @ 6.00
Cows and Heifers..... 2.20 @ 4.20
HOGS—Heavy..... 2.10 @ 2.25
SHEEP—Wethers..... 2.80 @ 4.40



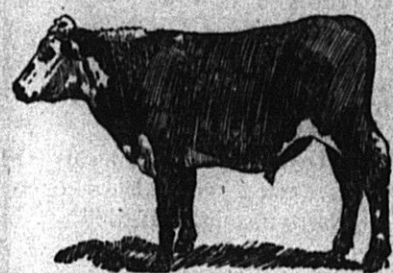
SILAGE AND SHOCK CORN.

Relative Merits in Beefmaking. Pork as a Side Issue.

The Illinois agricultural experiment station has been investigating the relative merits of silage and shock corn as factors in beef production. An experiment was conducted on the extensive farm of a McLean county cattle feeder.

In the feeding of 5.33 acres of silage to calves 8.69 acres of crops other than corn were used. In the feeding of 5.33 acres of shock corn to calves 5.63 acres of crops other than corn were used. This difference may or may not be found unavoidable. Among conclusions arrived at were the following:
It requires a third longer time to feed an acre of corn silage than an acre of shock corn.

The average number of pounds of meat made per acre from a system of



FED ON SILAGE.

silage feeding where oats and hay were used as supplementary feeds was 385.35, where shock corn with oats and hay were fed 337.91 pounds, a difference of 47.45 pounds per acre in favor of a system of silage feeding.

So far as the cost of harvesting and feeding crops for the production of beef is concerned in the net profits of the enterprise, it should be borne in mind that it will probably require nearly twice as great an expenditure of labor and capital in a system of silage feeding as in a system of shock corn feeding.

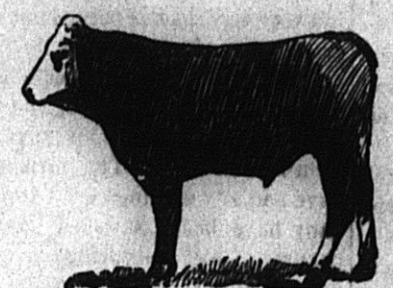
The silage fed steers were in much better thrift and flesh at the end of the experiment than were the shock corn fed steers.

In case of the silage fed steers 97.09 per cent of the meat produced was beef and 2.31 per cent pork. In case of the shock corn fed steers 84.22 per cent of the meat produced was beef and 15.78 per cent was pork. This clearly shows that pork production is an important factor in a system of feeding shock corn for beef production, while it may be entirely eliminated from a system of silage feeding for beef production practically without loss.

It should be noted that the silage fed lot consumed less feed than the shock corn lot and less feed per pound of gain whether beef alone is considered or beef and pork combined. The amount of dry matter required to produce a pound of gain of meat where the corn was fed in the form of silage was 6.52 pounds; where fed in the form of shock corn it was 8.57 pounds.

With an average daily ration to each steer fed silage of 26 pounds silage, 2 pounds oats and 4.55 pounds of mixed hay an average daily gain of 1.98 pounds was secured for a period of eighty-eight days. With an average daily ration to each steer fed shock corn of 13.22 pounds shock corn, 2 pounds oats and 4 pounds mixed hay an average daily gain of 1.42 pounds was secured for a period of eighty-eight days.

Under conditions comparable with those prevailing in this experiment one steer would be able to make an average daily gain of 1.68 pounds for a period of six months on .82 of an acre of silage, oats and hay, of which .31 of an acre would be devoted to corn for silage, .23 of an acre to oats and .23 of an acre to hay. One steer receiving shock



FED ON SHOCK CORN.

corn, oats and hay would be able to make an average daily gain of 1.42 pounds for a period of six months on .92 of an acre, of which .45 of an acre would be devoted to growing the corn, .23 of an acre to oats and .24 of an acre to hay, making a difference of .26 of a pound of meat per day per steer and one-tenth of an acre of land for the season, both being in favor of the steers receiving their corn in the form of silage for the period designed.

The cuts show typical representations of two lots of animals, one fed on silage, the other on shock corn.

Fall Blooming Shrubs.

Of fall blooming sorts of shrubs the Althea, or Rose of Sharon, continues to hold a prominent place. Perhaps the best of all are the Totus albus, single and pure white; Jeanne d'Arc, double, pure white; celestis, single, delicate blue; leopoldi, double, pink, and rancunculifera, double, red.

The so called blue Spiraea caryophyllis mastacanthus holds a unique place, being of heliotrope blue, blooming profusely from Sept. 15 to Oct. 25.

Among foliage plants I give first place to Cornus mas variegata and Cornus sanguinea elegantissima, the former bearing cherry colored fruits, the latter handsome in winter with its bright red branches, both being variegated with white and green. Of the two the elegantissima withstands the burning heat of our August suns the better.—H. T. Jones, New Jersey.

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The matter of feed is of tremendous importance to the farmer. Wrong feeding is loss. Right feeding is profit.

The up-to-date farmer knows what to feed his cows to get the most milk, his pigs to get the most pork, his hens to get the most eggs. Science.

But how about the children? Are they fed according to science, a bone food if bones are soft and undeveloped, a flesh and muscle food if they are thin and weak and a blood food if there is anemia?

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For Grand Rapids and North—
*5:26 a. m. 8:00 a. m. 12:30 p. m. 4:22 p. m. 9:15 p. m.
For Saginaw and Detroit—
*5:26 a. m. 4:22 p. m.
For Muskegon—
5:51 a. m. 12:45 p. m. 4:45 p. m.
For Allegan—
8:10 a. m. 7:25 p. m. Freight leaves east Y 6:05 a. m.
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There is a great deal of satisfaction in knowing that you have bought something AS GOOD AS MONEY CAN BUY. Especially so if its an article you expect to use ALL YOUR LIFE TIME. You experience this satisfied feeling when you buy a

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Holland Michigan.

INSURANCE IN SURGERY.

Plan Adopted by English People of Moderate Means Which Seem to Be Good.

In England people of moderate means are beginning to insure themselves against surgical operations. The plan is that subscribers who pay an annual fee shall be entitled either to free admittance to a hospital or nursing at home and free operation or to a fixed sum paid down to defray the cost of an operation if one becomes necessary. In England, as here, the cost of surgical repairs to the human body has become oppressively great to persons who just manage to pay their way. People who are obviously poor get a great deal of excellent surgical and medical treatment in hospitals and elsewhere for nothing, but for the next class above them a serious illness—especially if it involves an operation—is almost ruinous, says Harper's Weekly.

It would seem as if the time was near when societies for insurance against specialists might be profitably organized in the larger American cities. The specialist has come to be a very important—indeed, an indispensable—institution, especially to families in which there are children. The office of the family doctor has now become simplified to the task of coming in and telling the patient which specialist to go to. It is not that specialists charge too much, for their honorable services are above price. It is that landlord, butcher, baker, grocer, milkman, coalman, dentist and trained nurse do not leave you money enough to pay them appropriately. To subscribe a considerable sum annually and have all the repairs and desirable improvements made in one's family without further disbursement would be a comparatively simple way out of a troublesome predicament.

DESTRUCTION OF CITY MAINS.

Electrolysis Is Causing Great Damage and Expense in Metropolitan Systems.

Destruction of underground mains by electrolysis is rapidly nearing a point at which it ceases to be a phenomenon of technical interest to physicists, says the Electrical Review, and becomes a commercial fact of startling magnitude. Water, gas and steam mains are being destroyed so rapidly that within a comparatively brief period renewals and replacements on a vast scale will become necessary. Their postponement in the case of gas mains accounts for the rapid destruction of asphalt pavements in many cities and imposes grievous burdens upon municipalities in the effort to maintain good roadways. The eating off of service pipes and the erosion of mains accomplish rapidly what would be brought about by natural causes much more slowly, and explain why the leakage loss of water in distribution is so enormously great, and why the building of new reservoirs and the laying of new lines of mains is constantly necessary under conditions which seem to show a per capita consumption of five times as great as the combined use and waste of any city since civilization began.

CONVERSATIONAL PARROTS.

Brazilian Birds Break Out in Unintelligible Tongue Immediately Upon Seeing Each Other.

Do parrots understand what they say? A correspondent writes that a friend with a fine green Brazilian parrot has been staying with her. The parrot is a fluent and accomplished speaker, says the London Chronicle. A gray parrot was introduced one day, but the Brazilian haughtily declined to have anything to say to the gray. Then another friend, who had just been given a newly-imported green Brazilian, brought the newcomer to call. The moment the parrots caught sight of each other they broke into a torrent of apparently articulate language, consisting, as it seemed, of questions and answers, but what the language was no one present could tell. The owner of the first parrot had never during the years it had lived with her heard it speak this strange tongue. The two parrots talked to each other without ceasing all the time they were together, and a few days later, when they met again, exactly the same thing happened. Was the first parrot—long exiled from its native forests—asking eagerly for news of its people?

Poor Effort at Translation.
The English papers have lately been having fun with a new German-English and English-German dictionary. The best example of the work is said to be in the translation of our word "gimcrack." According to the London Daily Chronicle four meanings have been given for this word, which, when translated back into English are: "The handsome girl," "the bad machine," "the ordinary handshaker" and "a magician."

Ground Frozen 225 Feet.
William Boone, a miner, says the Kansas City Journal, who has come down from Dawson City, Klondike, to spend the winter with relatives at La Rista, says he has dug 225 feet deep in the ground in his claim, but has never been able to reach a point where the ground was not frozen hard.

Wooden Legs.
By order of the Japanese emperor wooden legs have been distributed to the seven maimed survivors of the recent disaster, when 800 Japanese soldiers were frozen to death.

Poultry Show Prize Winners.

At the third annual poultry show of the Holland Poultry & Pet Stock association the sweepstake prize, a silver cup, was won by Ezra Brackett of Allegan on Rose Comb Brown Leghorns. Visser and Zuidewind had the highest scoring cock, one of the Silver Pencilled Wyandotte variety; L. S. Sprletsuma had the highest scoring hen and S. C. Brown Leghorn; O. E. Ketchepan had the highest scoring cockerel, a White Wyandotte; L. D. Visser, the highest scoring pullet, a Black Langshan; Daniel Thomas of Pontiac, the highest scoring breeding pen of bantams.

Following is a list of the winners of first premiums:

Buff Cochins Bantams—L. C. Visser, first on cock, hen, cockerel, pullet and breeding pen.

Golden Seabright Bantams—Cock, hen and breeding pen, Daniel Thomas, Pontiac, first; cockerel, J. A. Bell, Pontiac, first.

Silver Seabright Bantams—Cock and hen, Milo DeVries, Charlotte, first, breeding pen, Greensmith, Charlotte, first.

Bronze Turkeys—Cock, pullet and hen, J. L. Conkey, first.

Silver Spangled Hamburg—Cock, hen and breeding pen, Isaac Douma, first; cockerel, John Visser, first.

Black Langshans—Cock and hen, Frances A. Tuck, first; cockerel and breeding pen, L. D. Visser, first.

Partridge Wyandottes—Cock, M. F. Dowling, first; hen and cockerel, R. Westveld, first.

White Wyandottes—Cock, Artis and Roebig, first; hen D. Wurtz; cockerel, pullet and breeding pen, C. E. Ketchepan, first.

Brown Leghorns—Hen, cockerel and breeding pen, L. L. Sprletsuma; pullet, Frances Kent.

Rose Comb Brown Leghorns—Cock, pullet and breeding pen, E. Brackett, Allegan, first; hen, Harry G. Strowen-jans, first.

White Leghorns—Cock and hen, Daniel Thomas, Pontiac, first; cockerel, pullet and breeding pen, R. C. Collin, Mt. Pleasant, first.

Silver Pencilled Wyandottes—Cock, hen, cockerel, pullet and breeding pen, Visser and Zuidewind, first.

Single Comb Buff Leghorns—Cock and cockerel, A. J. Bell, Pontiac, first; pullet, Wm. L. Krepps, Grand Rapids, first.

Black Minorcas—Cock and cockerel, J. Verhoes, first; hen, H. Jappinga, first.

White Sherwoods—Cockerel and pullet, first, Wm. Peeks.

Barred Plymouth Rocks—Cock, cockerel and breeding pen, John Schippers, first; hen and pullet, J. Block.

Black Wyandottes—Cock, hen, pullet and breeding pen, Vander Hill and Visser, first, second and third.

Light Brahmas—Hen, Ed Cotte, first, second and third.

White Minorcas—Hen, cockerel, pullet and breeding pen, J. Schipper, first.

Buff Orpingtons—Cockerel, E. R. Fredericks, first; pullet, A. W. Becker, Muskegon, first.

Partridge Cochins—Cock, hen, pullet and breeding pen, Anton Self, Jr., first; cockerel, F. Seery, first.

Dark Brahmas—Cock, hen and pullet, Ed Cotte, first.

Blue Andalusians—Cock and hen, J. A. Bell; Pontiac, first; cockerel and pullet, A. W. Becker, Muskegon, first.

Silver Laced Wyandottes—Cock, hen, cockerel and pullet, Hoogenheyde, Grand Rapids, first.

Buff Plymouth Rocks—Hen, cockerel and breeding pen, Hadden and VanderHill, first; cock and pullet, John Westveld, first.

Buff Wyandottes—Cock, cockerel, pullet and breeding pen, B. J. Albers, first; hen, D. Wurtz, Muskegon.

Golden Laced Wyandottes—Cock, breeding pen and hen, L. S. Sprletsuma, first; cockerel and pullet, E. Brackett, Muskegon.

Rose Comb Buff Leghorns—Cockerel and pullet, J. Schippers, first.

White Rocks—Cock, B. J. Albers, first; hen, P. P. Steketee, first, cockerel and pullet, F. G. Hayes, Saugatuck, first.

Cornish Budian Games—Cock, hen and cockerel, Tom DeVries, first.

Houdan—Cock, hen, pullet and breeding pen, H. T. Strowen-jans, first.

Belgian Hares—Best old pair, J. W. Visser; best young pair, J. Ver Hulst; best buck, J. W. Visser, best doe, J. VerHulst, best young doe, J. VerHulst; best young buck, J. Ver Hulst.

Hope College News.

Despite the dark and rainy weather of Friday evening Holland Centre school house in which a Sunday school conducted under superintendency of O. Van der Schoor, was filled with many bright and happy faces longing for the Christmas entertainment to begin. The school room was artistically decorated with evergreens. A Christmas tree loaded with dolls, books, toys and other gifts was prettily lighted by numerous small candles. At a quarter of seven the superintendent opened the pro-

gram which consisted of recitations and dialogues interspersed with various musical selections. Intensely interesting and highly amusing were the recitations by the smaller pupils. The older scholars rendered declamations and dialogues with credit to themselves and the school. After the program was completed the Christmas tree was relieved of its load and the presents were distributed to the joyful children. When the moment for closing the happy evening had come Mr. Venhuizen, with some of his entertaining remarks presented a handsome umbrella to each of the four teachers. The giving of these presents is only one of the many proofs of the good feeling which exists between the community and the teachers.

Students of the Theological Seminary will occupy pulpits for the holiday and Sunday services as follows: J. Steunenberg, Lucas; S. Riepma, Detroit; S. C. Nettinga, Spring Lake; Geo. Douwstra, Portage; W. Bekkerling, Leota, Minn., and J. Straks, Harrison, So. Dakota.

Theological student H. Heuneman preached in Grace Reformed church, Grand Rapids, last Sunday morning and evening.

Last Sunday Missionary Oltmans conducted devotional exercises at North Blendon, Mich.

January Jury.

The January jury will be composed as follows:

Edward Courtwright—Tallmadge. Albert J. Brown—Wright. Edward J. Pruim—Zeeland. Herman Z. Nyland—First Ward, Grand Haven.

Geo. R. Savery—Second ward, Grand Haven.

August M. Cosgrove—Third ward, Grand Haven.

Henry Moll—Fourth ward, Grand Haven.

Peter Searsma—First District, Holland.

Johannes DeWeerd—Second District, Holland.

Robert Pritchard—Allendale.

Nicholas Hofman—Blendon.

William Hauser—Chester.

Edward Flanders—Crockery.

Theodore Lessien—Grand Haven Town.

Jos Totten—Georgetown.

Albert Witterdink—Holland Town.

Derk De Klein—Jamestown.

Levi Fellows—Olive.

Harm Lang, Sr.—Polkton.

D. A. Foster—Robinson.

John Bottema—Spring Lake.

Melvin Smith—Tallmadge.

Michael Honlihan—Wright.

Harm H. Karsten—Zeeland.

General Items.

The farmers around Blissfield, it is estimated, have about \$450,000 invested in cattle and sheep which they are feeding for the spring market.

In discussing the matter of prohibition in Van Buren county an anti-alcohol advocate says: "It is not so much that the local option law has not proven satisfactory as that the traffic has been so largely transferred to fake drug stores where it is so much harder to suppress than it is in the open saloon."

The sugar beet factory at Mount Clemens has finished its campaign. The year has been full of embarrassments and discouragements which are not expected another year. The factory, however, has been a success in every way. It has turned out a high grade sugar since the day it started and has been up to expectations in every particular. During the season over 2,500,000 pounds of sugar have been turned out. The farmers who have had any dealings with the company have been satisfied and the chances for securing a large amount of acreage for next year are very bright. All of the citizens, stockholders and farmers are very enthusiastic and will do everything in their power to make the business a success in future years.

Muskegon merchants, who were afraid a year ago that the interurban railway between that city and Grand Rapids would hurt their business, now declare they have no kick coming. In fact many say the third rail has helped their business, as the people of Muskegon remain loyal to their home town and they get a lot of outside business they never received before.

Myron Jay Carpenter, who has been president of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois road for the last 10 years, has resigned to accept the position of vice president and general manager of the Pere Marquette system.

The food tests that Dr. Wiley, chief of the bureau of chemistry of the agricultural department is making on a number of young men at Washington for the purpose of ascertaining what, if any, effects are produced by a diet to which is added borax and other food preservatives is now well under way. At dinner, borax and boric acid have figured to a great extent in the food given the government boarders. The diners did not notice any pre-ervative in the food and felt no ill effects.

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The Fair

Thanks its patrons for a successful year's business, which was larger than their most sanguine expectations. For the year 1903 we will be in still better condition to cater to the wants of the public, as our stock of Dry Goods will be larger and more complete than ever before, and our well known liberality in prices will be maintained. Every effort will be put forth to place before the ladies of Holland all the new styles as early as they are produced.

WISHING A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ONE AND ALL.

THE FAIR, 16 West Eighth St.

President Graham Owns Entire Fleet.

Secretary Morton of the Graham & Morton Transportation company, has announced that the company has been reorganized under the laws of Indiana and that the entire fleet of boats, operated by the company, has been purchased by President J. H. Graham while the real estate of the company has passed into the hands of the Crawford estate.

The property that the Crawford estate has purchased comprises both Michigan and Illinois real estate, docks and buildings. The business offices of the company will remain at Benton Harbor and Chicago, although under the reorganization Michigan City, Ind., is the company's headquarters.

It is understood that there will be no changes in the officers of the company. It is stated that two million dollars changed hands.

Death of Mrs. John Roost.

The death of Mrs. John Roost, Sr., occurred Thursday morning at her home on Ninth street at the age of 80 years. Mrs. Roost was born in Gelderland, the Netherlands and was one of the party of colonists under the leadership of Rev. S. Bolks that settled in Overisel. In 1849 she was married to the late Hon. John Roost at Grandville, Mich., from whence they moved to Holland where they lived ever since.

Mrs. Roost's brother, A. Rigterink, was an advance guard of the Holland immigration of 1847, coming here a couple of years prior to that date and enlisting as a volunteer in the Mexican war. Mrs. Roost was well known to the early settlers of this section and had a large circle of friends.

The funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon from the house Rev. J. T. Bergen officiating.

Town Hall Mission Sunday School held its Christmas exercises on Friday evening Dec. 19. The program consisted largely of music. The hall was decorated with evergreens and fancy candles, and the Christmas tree occupied a prominent place. Despite the rain the hall was crowded with friends of the Sunday school. Every scholar received a Christmas gift and a box of candy, the teachers in turn, were remembered by the school, with handsome presents. This S. S. has an enrollment of about fifty and is doing excellent work. It enjoys the distinction this year of being the only mission S. S. which has in its teaching force young ladies from the College. The superintendent is Mr. A. A. Wubbena.

New Year's day has crowded Christmas off the map and will be here in all its glory next Thursday. In his advertisement this week James A. Brouwer, the River street furniture dealer, takes occasion to wish the people of Holland a happy New Year. This wish will certainly become a reality to all those who have in the past exercised discretion in buying furniture. If they have dealt at Brouwers their cup of joy will be filled to overflowing, for to trade at Brouwers means to save money and money saved is happiness earned.

A Costly Mistake.

Blunders are sometimes very expensive. Occasionally life itself is the price of a mistake, but you'll never be wrong if you take Dr. King's New Life Pills for Dyspepsia, Dizziness, Headache, Liver or Bowel troubles. They are gentle yet thorough. 25 cents at Heber Walsh Drug Store.

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Grand Carnival on the Ice.

RACES ON THE ICE AT Fruitport, Mich.

New Years Day, January 1st, 1903.

Under the auspices of the Concordia Ysclub of Grand Rapids.

Races on the ice afternoon and evening for the championship of Michigan, team races, fancy skating, long and short distance skating. Free music and dancing at Pomona pavilion. Evening Press band of Grand Rapids will discourse sweet music both afternoon and evening.

Newell's orchestra. Refreshments served by ladies in native Holland costume. Low rates from all points. Special cars on the Third Rail Electric railway. This is going to be the largest thing of the season.

All parties desiring to enter please address John A. Schaafsma, Secretary, Grand Rapids, on or before date of races or on this day at pavilion.

Rate from Holland and Zeeland \$1.00, round trip. Everything else free. Tickets on sale at G. R., H. & L. M. office, good going date of races and returning day after.

Notice of Special Election.

Clerk's Office, City of Holland, December 24, 1902.

To the Electors of the City of Holland:—

Notice is hereby given that a special election for the City of Holland will be held on the second Monday (the twelfth day) in January A. D. 1903, at No. 190 River street, in said city, that at said election the polls will be open from eight o'clock A. M. till nine o'clock P. M.; and that all legal voters will be allowed to vote at said election same as at a general election.

You are further notified that said special election was called, pursuant to the action of the Common Council taken December 24, 1902, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of the City of Holland, the proposition whether or not a franchise to construct a gas plant in said city shall be granted by the Common Council to a private corporation or to private parties, subject to the following conditions:

1. That the gas to be supplied shall be of a high standard of quality.
2. That for fuel purposes it shall be sold at a maximum rate of \$1.00 net per 1000 cubic feet.
3. That for lighting purposes, it shall be sold at a maximum rate of \$1.25 net per 1000 cubic feet.
4. That for cooking purposes piping and connections shall be furnished free up to cooking stove.
5. That for lighting purposes piping shall be furnished free up to the meter in the building only.
6. That the city shall reserve the option to purchase the gas plant ten years from and after date of franchise, and that the same option shall be available every five years thereafter up to the end of the life of the franchise which shall not exceed thirty years, and that the city does not by this purchase clause bar itself from its right to put in its own gas plant.
7. That extensions of mains must be made where there will be one consumer per 300 feet of main.
8. That the plant must be completed within eighteen months from and after date of franchise and that on Eighth and River streets where paving is to be done in the year 1903, the gas pipes are to be put in within three months after the franchise is granted.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given, that in accordance with the action of the Common Council dated December 24, 1902, the aforesaid proposition of granting a gas franchise to a private corporation or to private parties, subject to the conditions herein mentioned, will be submitted at said special election to be held January 12, 1903, and that at said election each elector shall designate his vote on the ballot containing said proposition by a cross mark (X) placed in the square [] opposite the word "Yes," or in the square [] opposite the word "No," as he may elect.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand the day and year first above written.

WM. O. VAN EYCK,
City Clerk.
50-3w

A straight discount of 1/2 off from every cloak in the store at John Van derstul. This is no fake sale as every garment is marked in plain figures and you get 1/2 off the regular price. This sale is on ladies' and children's cloaks. His handkerchief sale lasts till Jan. 16, 1903.

Notice.
Lokker & Butgers Co. are now prepared to close out their broken lots of overcoats and suits before the inventory.

Grand Rapids Attractions:

—AT—
NEW POWERS

THE BONNIE BRIAR BUSH
Saturday, matinee and evening.

THE RED CAFE
Monday, Dec. 29th.

—AT—
THE GRAND

KIDNAPPED IN NEW YORK
Friday and Saturday Evenings,
Dec. 26th and 27th.

MAN WHO DARED
Sunday evening and first of next week.

EAST LYNNE.
Last half of next week.

—AT—
SMITH'S

THE NEW HENRY BUR-
LESQUES.

Theater Cars 1
for Grand Rapids on
Interurban 5:40 p. m.
6:40 p. m.

Cars leave Grand
after all the theater
out.